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Day 236

Today we passed through the forest of lava pillars, home to the [Volcanic Ape General] we defeated earlier. Before us lies an enormous lava lake where the next dungeon boss lives.

Judging by yesterday's observations, there were absolutely no signs of movement from the center of the lake. Fighting the field boss in his native environment was likely to bring us a variety of problems, as was the case with the [Volcanic Ape General].

The gigantic lava lake, which was sure to become a battleground, has a circular shape with a diameter of about 8 kilometers. The surface has somewhat cooled and was covered with a black crust of hardened lava, but due to the high heat below, there are fissures and cracks from which gases leak and red flashes of lava can be seen.

In daylight, this place is very beautiful; but at night, this place took on the illusory image of a hellish frying pan.

I think it is a fantastic sight, but it appears that fighting there will be far from easy.

And not just because of the extreme temperature, against which even our special equipment paled. There was also lethal gas forced up by the enormous pressures and here and there geysers threw fountains of magma across the surface. Very dangerous indeed.

In addition to this, the path to the center of the lake was in the form of countless small and unstable lava islands; with a great chance to lose your balance or, in the worst case, even overturn the whole island.

Finally, regardless of our position, we were under attack by countless monsters from all sides, against which it was necessary to make your best effort or be defeated. Conquerors that came before us usually gave up half way or died on the road.

In this cruel place I went forward with Minokichi-kun and Asue-chan, forming a group of three.

Because I decided that the rest of the fight over the lava lake would be especially hard, I had the remaining eight generals stay by the shore of the lake so that they can gain precious items by fighting the monsters there. Under normal circumstances it would be pretty stupid to split our fighting forces apart.

However, including the Burasato-chan who serves as the vanguard, Kanami-chan and Irofu-chan as rear guard and despite the overlapping weaknesses of Supesei-san, Seiji-kun and Kugime-chan, the balance is not that bad. In this area, even if we're not together, they are quite capable of fighting on their own.

So they take care of their work and we will deal with our own.

Thus, after passing through many difficulties, we made it safely to the center island of the lava lake and began to fight.

The local field boss [Lava Ammonite Sapendia], was basically a huge hundred meter long ammonite.

With its huge body and cowardly character, it was hiding at the bottom of the lake and attacked adventurers that comes to the central lava lake island, that had a fifty meter diameter, by using countless tentacles which resemble snakes. A very serious and nasty opponent.

The tentacles, whose total number exceeded one hundred, have two kinds. One was thick and long with brute striking strength that shook the surface of the lake, and others that were short and thin as a woman's body, with something resembling a snake's head which emitted chunks of lava or heat rays, every one with a different attack method.

In order to counter all of their attacks at the same time, we fought covering each other's shortcomings. Minokichi-kun took on most of the attacks with his shield, using a powerful swipe of the axe to cut off the ends of the tentacles with Asue-chan who fought with him

side by side, allowing their combined range of attack to extend farther to distant tentacles. I acted as support for both of them, destroying as many tentacles as they did.

We already knew our habits and fighting methods, so we avoided taking much damage at all.

Here we observed that the [Lava Ammonite Sapendia] had quite the high regeneration, because new tentacles grew in place of severed ones immediately.

At this point I got tired of this nonsense and activated [Unhealing Cursed Wound], but it only slowed the regeneration slightly, which was very irritating.

Usually in such cases, defense is not particularly effective and the best option is to aim at the main body. In this case however, the main body was at the bottom of the lake and we only continued to cut the endlessly regenerating tentacles.

Even a few minutes later we can't see a difference. Wherever we cut a tentacle a new one grew in its place. There was no trace of the presence of the main body, hidden deep beneath the lava.

Having decided that this was taking too long, I activated [Exoskeleton: Thunder Shark Dragon Scales] and [Lava Swimming] and then dove into the lake of lava.

With these abilities I was free to swim through the lava lake. Though it was a strange feeling swimming in lava it was not bad, but its properties were more viscous than water.

Slightly used to this new way of moving, I pulled up the main body of the [Lava Ammonite Sapendia] to the surface, activating [Unreasonable Adamantine Strength].

After pulling it out I grabbed securely onto its body that was protected by a shell, like a snail, that was roughly twenty meters long and began biting it to absorb it alive. Naturally though, [Lava Ammonite Sapendia] didn't make for easy eating.

Having received direct damage to its body, it went into its [Frenzy] state by emitting a piercing shriek and began attacking incessantly with all of its tentacles.

Under this attack, like a huge waterfall of blows, I activated [Thunder Shark Dragon Scales], [Black Demon King's Laminated Dragon Armor], [Physical Damage Resistance], [Black Undead Knight's Cloth] and [Endurance].

Who knows what might have happened if I hadn't? If this is what a field boss is like, then what can be expected from the Dungeon Boss?

On the one hand I'm getting a little excited, but on the other, it's kind of worrying.

In any case, for now I decided to fully enjoy the taste of [Lava Ammonite Sapendia]'s main body. As I did, I caught the envious look from Minokichi-kun. His jittery and drooling face reminded me of the days when we were still goblins.

Well, despite being half eaten [Lava Ammonite Sapendia] still remained lively. Since I couldn't really share the body with them, I cut for them the still writhing tentacles, which they roasted and ate on the lava.

While eating, I noticed they were looking at me as if to say "If these tentacles are so delicious, I'd like to try the main body" but it's just too bad; next time we come here, I'll be sure to feed them properly.

[Dungeon Boss [Lava Ammonite Sapendia] successfully eliminated]

[As a bonus for being first to eliminate, treasure box [Tomb of the Spiral Shell King] will be sent]

[Ability learned: [Predisposition to Seclusion]]
[Ability learned: [Lava Stealth]]
[Ability learned: [Snake Tentacle Banquet]]

After eating, what remained was a previously hidden ring, a part of the boss's spiral shell, with walls encrusted with precious gems. The gems alone were worth many golden plates but the material from which the shell was made was of a high quality. I placed this together with the treasure chest into my [Item Box].

Following the slaying of the boss, and bringing along a few dozen severed tentacles as a souvenir, we returned to the site where Kanami-chan and the others awaited. The company boasted a tremendous pile of trophies which were immediately dispersed.

Afterwards we enjoyed together a meal of tentacles. Although they're inferior to the main body, their strangeness somewhat made up for it.

As expected, things are tastier when eaten together.

Day 237

Today we are again having fun hunting dungeon bosses.

Picking up our fighting spirit, we went to the next dungeon boss, but to get to him we had to deal with climbing a mountain.

At half way up the mountain, Asue-chan suddenly removed the pickaxe from her back. Seeing the weaknesses in the stone formation, she mined a tunnel in a very rugged black slope.

And after she mined 50cm into the stone, a bright light suddenly enveloped everyone and two enormous ingots began to appear.

At first I was surprised, but apparently Asue-chan sees through the land and sees areas suitable for mining.

As expected from Asue-chan, we all praised her. She got flustered but did not mind and continued digging until the mine was exhausted.

The mines here are difficult to find because of the terrain, not having any kind of difference from the surroundings. But once production started, it's easy to get a lot of rare minerals. I was pretty interested in why the extracted minerals were already ingots, but I decided to put it off for now.

While we were waiting for the end of mining operation, we decided to try out the effects of [United Attack [Face of Emptiness of 8 Demonic Generals]] against local monsters. While the power of [Flash attack of 8 Demonic Generals] was enough to take out [Volcanic Monkey General] in a single hit, there were still a lot of mysteries.

It looks like the effects can be triggered when at least 2 of the 8 demons work together, and the power of effects depend on number of demons that are participating.

Depending on the specialty and position of each general in formation, such as attack, defense, stealth or detection, [United Assault [Face of Emptiness of 8 Demonic Generals]] can take different form and effect.

As we try out various changes to the combination, we found out many different types of attacks and defenses, and that this ability was quite easy to use.

We were able to simultaneously conduct research, raise our levels, as well as collect a large quantities of dropped items. We are all spending our time quite usefully.

Asue-chan finished mining after only an hour.

Although she could have finished in about ten minutes after finding a vein, but as it turned out there were some other veins near the first one, so Asue-chan wanted to dig out every vein that was found. As a result it took more time, but gained a lot of minerals that were quite rare, with good quality and great quantity.

By bringing ambient heat and compressing it in one place, using the ability of the silver hand [collecting a ball of flame] I was able to absorb several minerals mined today into the silver hand. This catch would obviously please Blacksmith-san and company, strongly stimulating their creative process, from which different kinds of inventions are born.

We are moving forward, with all sorts of expectations.

The next dungeon boss is located on the slope of the Fire Dragon Mountain's Volcano, which is covered in countless volcanic stones, but it is unknown if it is active right now.

The tongues of lava are cold and hardened, so it is very easy to proceed, and compared to the previous place it was not that hot.

However, as we go forward, and as it is a [God] class dungeon, monsters are stronger than those that attacked us previously. In addition, most of them have higher intelligence, making them dangerous opponents.

They attacked together in fairly large groups. In this place where there were a lot of blind spots, surprise and even pincer attacks weren't uncommon. As expected of local monsters that were raised in such a hostile environment.

We made our way to the dungeon boss without stopping, fighting off opponents on the way as they come. Although the number of attackers was lower than usual, the number of injuries increased significantly.

Although I and Kugime-chan are detecting incoming ambushes, and Seiji-kun quickly tends to our wounds, we are accumulating fatigue from constant battle and a hostile environment, which makes continuing ever more difficult.

Our pace slowed down tremendously, but in exchange it increased the inflow of experience, thus increasing our levels.

Slowly but surely moving forward.

In the evening we finally found the third field boss.

The third boss [Golden Heffalump], if you were to describe it, is a giant golden elephant soldier that walks on two legs and is armed with a battle axe.

Its height is barely under 25 meters, surpassing even the body of Balor, in truth he looked like a moving hill. His whole body was pretty thick, especially his large torso and seemingly abnormally wide legs that allowed him to steadily support the entire weight of his enormous body.

He was almost nude, except for a durable black and silver loincloth. His natural armor, his golden skin, didn't have a single scratch on it.

Any weak attack wouldn't be able to hurt him. In addition, in order to destroy the supports of his huge body, bones and muscles, you need to use something really destructive.

He has a trunk that is so long, it already reached his feet. It acts as a third hand and was wielded like a mace to attack the enemy.

While moving he swings from side to side, occasionally touching some of the surrounding stones by accident and easily crushes them. It becomes clear how destructive he would be if he were to attack at full force.

On either side of his huge trunk grows four tusks that have the size of a battering ram and were completely unscathed.

Of all the creatures we've been fighting, without any doubt, he has the highest attack and defense powers.

Just looking at his body, he looks like a very problematic adversary. He is so huge that even his axe is bigger than Minokichi-kun, and that is very troublesome.

I was not too eager to fight him, and the power of the swing of his battle axe was so strong it even split the dust in the air, but luckily it seems like it doesn't have any corrosive effects or anything of the like.

Due to the huge muscles of [Golden Heffalump], it could strike with incredible speed, contrary to his huge size. At this level, Minokichi-kun or I would barely be able to block it.

That conclusion was reinforced when we saw that the [Golden Heffalump] cut off the head of a [Magma Lizard] with a swing of its battleaxe.

[Magma Lizard] is a cousin to the drake, it's about 10 meters long and starts its hunting from a hillside. Its combat abilities are comparable to that of a drake so, to be taken down by a single hit, the attack power of [Golden Heffalump] must be considerably high - and that says a lot.

Without a doubt: a terrible enemy. If you drop your guard at all it will cost you your life.

Naturally we did not run away from fear, but to observe it for a while. It was decided that we had a chance to win, but it was not decided immediately.

[Golden Heffalump] is certainly strong and fast, but because the enemy is unusually heavy, it has almost no special attacks. If we act with care, he wouldn't be able to do anything.

With its defense power even Minokichi-kun attacks will not do much, but under contentious barrage the damage will accumulate and will take it down.

If we were the same as before we arrived here, it would be a much more difficult fight. But thanks to the previous battles our levels increased, and as a result our fighting force had risen as well. That increase in strength was a significant factor in the battle.

Due to this fact we should be able to subjugate [Golden Heffalump], and after the battle we should be left with some strength.

But the reality of the situation is that it did not progress so smoothly.

This was not our best moment, or rather, during the battle with the field boss we were disturbed.

If this were the usual monsters it would not hurt us so much. It would have been alright even if it was an intrusion by [Magma Lizards].

But here it came: the [Demon Boar Orc King] that lived in a volcano, cutting his opponents with a huge butcher knife with two blades.

His remarkable body with a height of 6 meters bears the marks of many battles. He only wears the minimum amount of cloths and trinkets. Although he looked barbaric there is a charm to his wild look.

His name is Combat Hero [Demon Boar Orc King]

One of the pinnacles of orc evolution [Demon Boar Orc King], here is [Volcanic Blue Orc King], which is a 4 fold stronger boss than the one we are fighting. That would make us fight two field bosses at the same time.

In such a situation, it is likely that there will be casualties on our side.

This time, if we lose anyone it will exceed any benefit that we can get here.

Fortunately, Kugime-chan was on guard and noticed approach of another [intruder].

Good thing we noticed before it was too late. Leaving [Golden Heffalump] to the 8 demon generals, I went to deal with the [Volcanic Blue Orc King] alone.

Although [Golden Heffalump] is far from dead, if they are all together, they will finish it I'm sure.

I then hid my presence and came behind [Volcanic Blue Orc King].

After donning [Red Bear Beast King's Prestige], the exoskeleton most suited for land battle, I activated [Three Steps of Destruction] and added to that [Surging Destructive Fists of Flesh Crushing]. With these multiple attacks, I was able to crush several drakes, and made an attack directed at his spinal cord.

Although his back is stronger than his front I definitely felt the crushed flesh, shattering of the spine and organs rupturing on my fist.

The fur and skin of [Volcanic Blue Orc King] that shine like a dark red metal were deeply depressed into body. Under my attack his big body was thrown forward and violently rolled on the ground.

If all this had ended here it would have been an easy time. But apparently, it's not.

After [Volcanic Blue Orc King] vomited a large amount of blood, he slowly got up on his feet, emitting anger from his entire body.

All of his muscles bulging and out of his mouth came blue flames.

Rising with such fury after receiving such a strong blow, the title "field boss" was not just for show.

Day 238

The [Volcanic Blue Orc King] turned out to be unusually strong and we ended up fighting throughout most of the night. It was extremely exhausting.

The Volcanic Orc King was extraordinary to be able to survive my surprise attack to his back. During our night long battle he was spawning his subordinates with magic items. This was an attempt to chip away at my stamina while allowing himself to restore his own.

I would like to keep him from recovering but his subordinates have surprising teamwork and seem to be able to attack me as though they were a single organism.

Fighting them as a lone Demon would be too taxing, I will fight numbers with numbers so I used my ability of [Lesser Summoning: Giant].

The Volcanic Orc King seemed to have the ability [Greater Summoning: Demonkin].

He started to call [Orc Mage]s and [Orc Knight]s with great intelligence and high quality armament one after another, so to match him I generated many [Black Fomorians] and equipped them with [Human Bomb] to even the odds.

For a while this turned into a battle of subordinates, where neither side was stronger then other. All that ended when the bodies piled up into a stack over 10 meters high.

The Volcanic Orc King continued to call subordinates and at the same time he lunged toward me, trampling the mountain of corpses under him, which was in itself a problem.

The [Volcanic Blue Orc King], like the [Golden Heffalump], specialized in close combat.

With its double bladed butcher knife able to pierce enemy armor his continuous attacks were like angry waves, each of its blows powerful enough to kill a [Drake] on the spot.

Most likely he was close to [Physical Attack Immunity] and had the [Body Restoration] ability that makes him unable to die unless his head is cut off or crushed. Aside from that it seems like he has a near-endless stamina that allows him to fight continuously at full throttle; indeed a really strong opponent.

With something like [Intuition] that allows him to respond to every attack, even from various directions, his movement was like that of a boar, but much faster. His huge frame was filled with strong muscles, and despite having the appearance of a fat body, it moved with ease.

Repeatedly accelerating, he reduced the distance to me and when I threw a red spear at him he avoided it with an airborne spin, then attacked me with his butcher knife aimed at my head.

Sometimes thanks to his high perception and the unpredictable movement of his entire body he managed to bypass my defense, ramming his butcher knife into my exoskeleton several times.

Even with strengthened defense, I have received damage beyond my expectations, most likely he had [Penetrating Physical Damage] or a similar ability.

Although he slightly loses to [Golden Heffalump] in terms of attack and defense power, [Volcanic Blue Orc King] has superior speed and mobility and other fighting abilities; he is far superior to the group of the war-hero veterans.

If we were to make an evaluation, the [Volcanic Blue Orc King] makes good use of its tremendous endurance and ridiculous physical strength in order to survive; it takes a long time to defeat him.

You can crush his head or rip out his heart, or try to eat his internal organs and destroy his body to kill him. In the long process you get weakened, but finally… He dies.

At the same time, the [Golden Heffalump] came within a step of dying and released a hidden reserve of force. His body began to emit golden wave of energy, but Minokichi and

others used [United Assault [Face of Emptiness of 8 Demon Generals]] on him, sealing the deal and thus snatching victory at the last call.

Somehow we have managed to subdue 2 dungeon bosses, at the same time, but as a price we were very tired after the fight and had wounds everywhere.

In particular, everyone suffered a backlash after using [United Assault]. The 8 Demon Generals were fatigued beyond measure.

Even Minokichi could not move, and Seiji and Kugime had fainted.

[Dungeon boss [Golden Heffalump] successfully eliminated]

[As a bonus for the first elimination of the boss a treasure chest [The Coffin of Elephant Soldier] will be sent]

[Dungeon boss [Volcanic Blue Orc King] was successfully eliminated]

[As a bonus for the first elimination of the boss a treasure chest [The Mausoleum of a Boar] will be sent]

The 8 Demon Generals lay motionless on the ground, unable to move and slowly being roasted from geothermal heat. If I leave them as they are, they will suffer serious burn marks.

While they are protected by their armor, they slowly accumulate damage to their internal organs; those are much harder to heal than the exterior burns.

In order to avoid this, being the only one who could still move because of my ability [Tireless], I built a temporary base using [Skeleton Centipede], and moved them all inside.

After collecting the countless bodies lying in the area and both treasure chests, putting them in my [Item Box] I've finally been able to relax.

In order to recover as quickly as possible I used several of my recovery abilities, and tried to rest for at least 3 minutes. Lucky enough there were no signs of monsters so I was able to recover much of my physical strength.

During the break we were discussing what to do next.

At the moment it was impossible to say that we have fully recovered, Kugime and Seiji were still far from the point where they could continue the journey.

There would be consequences if we moved as we are.

Here you can not be unreasonable, we had to rest.

Thus, it was decided to get to [Border Area] which can be used as a [Safe Zone].

On foot it would take a lot of time, so we used [Skeleton Centipede] and went straight back.

We will go after the bosses tomorrow, nobody will find them till then, but today I want to recover while enjoying relaxing sleep.

We decided to eat the Field bosses tomorrow for breakfast, but today we will have a party with pork chops from [Orcs] and [Orc Mages].

Day 239

Yesterday we rested the entire day, and now we're all in excellent condition.

Our injuries were healed, our physical strength that had been lost was back and our near depleted mana was fully recovered.

In addition, for breakfast we had [Golden Heffalump] and [Volcanic Blue Orc King].

[Ability learned: [Swine Lord]]
[Ability learned: [Penetrating Physical Damage]]
[Ability learned: [Greater Summoning: Demonkin]]
[Ability learned: [Elephant Hits Slave]]
[Ability learned: [Body of Giant Elephant]]
[Ability learned: [Happy Elephant Wealth]]

Upon obtaining the field boss's abilities I wanted to dance with joy, however I still needed to know what these abilities do. Later on, when I have time, I'll test them out.

Now that we are fully rested we wanted to continue our conquest from the middle of the dungeon with full strength, so we moved on the Great Skeleton Centipede.

Yesterdays descent, thanks to use of [Skeleton Centipede], was quite easy and fast. But, as we went back to the place where we were yesterday, resistance from monsters encountered on the way was rising rapidly. As such, when we finally arrived in the middle of the dungeon the [Great Skeleton Centipede] was severely damaged.

Although thanks to Kugime-chan's radar we avoided attacks as best as we could, and we're now moving at full speed, but as expected it cannot get through without taking any damage.

There was a lot of intense damage scattered all over our ride. I think I will fix it later.

With that said, thanks to the Great Skeleton Centipede that was used to reduce the time needed to cross to our destination, we now resume our conquest.

When you cross the stony slopes of volcanic rock where our fight took place yesterday you will come upon a forest of flaming trees.

Many of the trees growing in that forest have leaves that burn with constant live fire, generating heat that is at the same level as the lava lake.

If only the flames grew on several of them... However, as there were several hundred thousand of them they became a problem.

Irofu and Kanami had expressions of discontent as they are weak to the heat, but that issue was addressed with frequent use of [Hyper cooling liquid] which can be obtained quite often from all monster species living on hills.

[Hyper Cooling liquid] is the higher grade version of [Cooling liquid] obtained in Labyrinth City Radha Lo Dara, with enhanced effects and time duration.

Although it is a very expensive consumable item in high heat areas like the [Forest of flaming trees] it becomes one of the indispensable essentials.

The dungeon monsters living here had an outward appearance very similar to the flaming trees, [Fire Treant] as well as their highest kin [Lava Treant], and as such are hard to spot among them. They love to attack from blind spots with their flaming branches, as well as using magic to control the high temperatures in the forest fire of the countless trees; their attacks were very distressing.

Thanks to Kugime in the role of a scout, with her ability to observe the surroundings, even if they tried to sneak up we found them and proceeded onward without problems.

Although we were attacked by large groups of [Fiery Metal Gorilla] two of our vanguards were fighting with enthusiasm, Minokichi-kun and Burasato-san had a great mood after yesterday's rest and easily slaughtered them.

We received a huge amount of experience and combat skills after yesterday's battle with the field bosses so our battle strength has been greatly increased.

We continued moving without any problems, arriving before a large flaming tree that stood alone in the center of a large circular clearing with a diameter of one kilometer.

This large flaming tree has a height of about one hundred and fifty meters, with a trunk as thick as six ordinary flame trees.

The color of its bark was close to black gray. Located on its trunk was something that looked like a screaming human face.

But what is more characteristic is the the color of the flame.

The branches that spread through the sky above us were aflame with a clear blue fire. It was a beautiful and fascinating spectacle, with a somehow devilish glow.

This huge fire wood was the fifth field boss [Devilish Blue Flame Treant]. And it was the last field boss that we could gather information about from the previous explorers.

Because of the lack of information from here on out, we have to wade through very carefully, but we will think about it after defeating the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant].

The [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] can be described as a kind of [Moving Devil Treant], one of the strongest among the species of [Devil Treant].

It is difficult to stop this enemy, as it can quickly shrug off any damage dealt.

It gathers natural magic from its surroundings via its vast roots, which it uses to heal any kind of wound in the blink of an eye, and its healing magic is especially powerful in this environment.

Although its magical attacks are seemingly classified as those with minimal offensive power, it instantly creates a powerful and sustained barrage of spells; it can be a very troublesome opponent.

Even high level combatants can be destroyed with enough time.

As the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] is probably the last field boss on the hillside, it should be the fiercest opponent so far when confronted directly.

But it is fortunate that the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] will not move from its position, and as such can be attacked from afar with a preemptive strike.

So, it was decided that we will quickly obliterate it.

According to information obtained from previous explorers, the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] starts to react when opponents venture within two hundred meters.

This also seems to be the farthest range of his branches, so he will not react as long there are no loud sounds.

Since the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] is a formidable enemy, I took some time to carefully plan the strongest attack method we could use against it.

I changed my silver arm into a gun and loaded the Starving Impaler of A Thousand Thorn (Kazıklı Bey).

After undergoing the same processes as when I killed Balor, as well as activating the abilities that I hadn't acquired at the time, such as [Penetrating Physical Damage], [Bee Sting] and [Silent Pierce], I was curious how it will work all together simultaneously.

Without much delay, after finishing the preparation, I shot Starving Impaler of A Thousand Thorn (Kazıklı Bey).

Because of the effect [Silent Injection] there was no sound made from the shot, there was only the flash of a scarlet line, which immediately struck the body of [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] with an incredibly powerful blast.

Affected from the shot, the whole body of [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] bent in the shape of the letter "r".

How flexible can it be that it does not break when bent so far, and how dense is his trunk to not be breached fully by such powerful penetrating attack at this point? Extremely shocked, as the strike reached 3 meters into the trunk, I activated the ability of my spear [Army of Blood-dyed Crimson Spears].

As a result, within a radius of 100 meters from the red spear began to emerge countless copies, mercilessly tearing the body of the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] from the inside.

Slanting from the impact, while the inside is ripped apart by countless spears, [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] tried to heal itself with his healing abilities until his roots can no longer absorb magic.

As it was reaching the end of healing capabilities, while making cracking sounds like a skyscraper with its base having been destroyed, the upper part of the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] began to fall down.

Significantly losing it's height, but being still alive, it changes it's fallen branches with blue flames into the [Fire Treant] variant: [Devil Flame Treant].

The number of those was about five hundred. And with time, their number will further increase.

Although [Devil Flame Treants] as defenders of the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] individually weren't very strong, their sheer number was itself a problem.

But our attack was not over yet.

Directed at the fallen parts, Kanami-chan and others prepared [United Assault [Flash attack of 8 Demonic Generals].

Increasing it's power with the formation affect from the [Face Of Emptiness of 8 Demonic Generals], it has become a huge black flash that went on through the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] and a horde of [Devil Flame Treant], mercilessly destroying everything in its path.

All that is left are debris in the air, that flip and crash down to the ground.

[Dungeon boss [Devilish Blue Flame Treant] successfully eliminated]

[As a bonus for the first elimination of the boss a treasure chest, [Grave of the Diabolical Tree], will be sent]

The main body is decreased significantly, but some still remains.

There is a lot of debris, so we can collect enough material.

We began removing the remaining [Devil Flame Treants] that were not caught in attack and collecting the debris from the [Devilish Blue Flame Treant], which has stopped moving.

The united attack certainly has tremendous destructive power, but also a backlash leaving many openings, and you have to take a rest carefully, after you use it. This time however, it was done just right.

As we have no information on the area I have sent out my [Black Fomorians] infested with [Parasite] to scout out, but as they quickly died I have learned nothing.

Because of this, from here on we will need to move even more cautiously and we must use every moment of rest we get as effectively as possible.

Day 240

After passing through the forest of flaming trees, we came across a vast treasure area filled with countless black volcanic rocks.

It is a bonus for those [Adventurers] who make it here, so that they can easily mine a large quantity of rare minerals. It is a place that brings benefit greater than the hardships of getting here.

Across the territory, there were scattered ore veins. Once we got here Asue-chan, with her overwhelming mining sense, involuntarily shed some tears of joy. "This, this is surely ..... paradise?" she whispered.

She excitedly ran to the nearest vein and did not stop until it was exhausted completely. It was decided that today we would be extracting ores.

As it is not simple to find such places you must take all that you can take, or so it is said.

While we ask Asue-chan to point out ore veins, we started to work separately.

While I was swinging my pickaxe it reminded me of the work of extending our base in the great forest, as it was done in the same way.

Thinking about all of the things that had happened, we continued to work without rest.

Although rare and small in numbers, there are appearing [Giant Lava Golems] so we split into small groups.

Kanami-chan and Kugime-chan, Minokichi-kun and Asue-chan, Burasato-san and Supesei-san, Seiji-kun and Irofu-chan.

And it went like that. Hunting [Giant Lava Golems], mining ore, hunting golems while mining ore. As we repeated that over the day it passed very quickly.

By evening even Asue-chan was satisfied. It was decided that tomorrow we would continue the conquest.

The amount of ore that we gathered today was at least 5 times what we had since we started this dungeon conquest.

Frankly, I think we overdid it.

Or maybe not, as most of it was things that you could not afford to buy.

Anyway, we proceeded further through the crater to a rise up in it's center.

Lone field boss was what I expected, but as nothing happened we will rest and prepare for tomorrow.

Then an announcement appeared in my mind.

Rusty Iron Knight awakened to 18 Demon Warlords

[Title [Battle Beast of Steel] will be sent]

Doriane awakened to 18 Demon Warlords

[Title [Beautiful Flower] will be sent]

It turns out that those two were among the 18 Demon Warlords, which is to be expected. Anyway, I'll sleep for now, and think about it tomorrow.

Day 241

Thanks to Asue, we spent the night in an underground lair. We could have relaxed in a broken camp, but we decided to spend the night underground.

The ground was stable, so we did not have to be afraid of changes in the landscape. Because monster appearances are pretty rare, it was possible to relax.

Besides, even if monsters did decide to attack us while we slept, we could still deal with them. Nonetheless, it would obviously be better if there was less unnecessary work. It was a good thing there were no monsters that could move underground. This lair will remain because it is quite convenient.

While staying underground was more dangerous in the event of an attack, there was only a certain direction in which the monsters could attack from. In addition, Asue's fortified walls made it much easier to defend under such circumstances. As well as the main entrance of the cave, we had created 3 more exits which I had concealed through [Hide]. Even if one collapsed, there was nothing to worry about.

Using my new skill [Greater Summoning: Demonkin], I created strong guards and positioned them outside the cave. They could act as an alarm if anything were to happen.

The [Black Orc Guard Knight] was armed with a huge black shield. The [Black Minotaur] held a large axe in one of its hands. They were spread apart to protect each doorway and to better cope with incoming monsters.

Even against the local monsters, they were capable of holding out for some time, and so no one would be caught off guard.

The only problem was that the inside of the cave was very hot. It was enough to possibly induce heat stress. To counter this, we decided to use the [Skeleton Centipede].

It had solid framework and we added heat-resisting magic items to cover the walls. As a result, the intense heat died down to a pleasant sort of warmth.

Thus, we were able to sleep peacefully in the [Fleymus Mountain's Flame Dragons].

Further on in the dungeon, sleep will probably be harder to obtain because of the constant and relentless attack from monsters. One needed to sleep soundly now as it might be the last chance to do so.

As such, we slept soundly, recovering completely from the exhaustion of yesterday.

We woke up at around the same time, exchanging greetings while leaving the cave. Although there was no sun out here, [Fleymus Mountain's Flame Dragons] was as bright as day due to the lava that flowed everywhere. With bright lights everywhere, it was difficult to find a dark area in the dungeon.

Well, that wasn't really a problem so we went out to have breakfast. Breakfast was important as it would allow us to have a reserve of energy for today's conquest.

Having a delicious breakfast will significantly affect the results. As a result, today's main dish was the [Black Orc Guard Knight] and [Black Minotaur] who had finished their security task.

Because of their [Divine Protection] and strong abilities, they looked pretty tasty.

Upon having such thoughts, drool flowed freely from my mouth. We did have the option of not eating them because they were a solid fighting force, but their presence would certainly attract packs of monsters.

Having more members in a party will result in more monsters appearing to go up against them. At the moment, we were already at the limit and if we considered taking them with us, I could not imagine how many more monsters would be attracted.

In the first place, taking them with us was completely unnecessary. I can just as easily summon them on the spot if needed.

Therefore, taking risks and dragging them along was not an option. But at the same time leaving them behind feels like the wrong thing to do.

Summoning can be classified to 3 types: [Lesser Summoning], [Intermediate Summoning], and [Greater Summoning]. Starting from [Intermediate Summoning], summoned beings have intelligence. [Greater Summoning: Demonkin] results in demons possessing an average person's level of intelligence.

They can express human emotions, and communicate clearly with others.

Compared with the puppets summoned with lower skills, they were living organisms. They were also completely subordinate to my will, and if necessary, would not hesitate to give up their lives.

[ED note: Rou probably meant sentient beings rather than living organisms]

If I were to leave them, they would most likely wait and continue battling monsters. The last thing they would say would be "Master… I'm sorry if I disappointed you … and left this world before you…" or something along those lines.

Moreover, in order to determine their fighting strength, I had sent one earlier to the lava golem. He died uttering such words so I'm almost sure of it.

Not that it would matter whether they have intelligence or not, but it seems strange to leave them here rather than to eat them.

So in order to save us the trouble of cutting them to pieces, I gave them the order to destroy each other. While waiting for them to finish, we started preparing to leave. After waiting a little, I took apart the last remaining demon and we were left with a big pile of meat.

Since blood was still over the food, I removed it using [Hydro Hand]. Since heat generated on the ground was high, I placed a large pan on some rocks and fried the meat.

The thick meat of the [Black Orc Guard Knight] and [Black Minotaur] was an indicator of how good it was. The sight of it being fried stimulated the eyes and ears and the smell was enticing.

Subconsciously, I started remembering the grill feast with all the roasted pork and high-quality beef. After thinking that eating only meat is bad for one's health, I gathered some vegetables sprouting in the labyrinth and washed them. The combination of the soft meat melting in the mouth and the fresh, crisp vegetables is the best!

Consuming mouthfuls of meat and vegetables furiously, I start thinking of adding [Devilish Blue Flame Trent] bits. This would add a subtle sweetness that oozes when chewed and would certainly make this better.

Ability learned: [Plant Control]

Eating this delicious food and even getting an ability, I am obviously lucky today. Maybe something good will happen in the conquest.

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Gaining the strength for today and checking our equipment, I contacted Rusty Iron Knight and Doriane who had awakened as one of the 18 Demon Warlords.

I wonder what caused the awakening of the 18 Demon Warlords. I asked how each were different from before and after the awakening as well as the current news. Summarizing what I heard from the both of them, I still did not understand why.

When they came to their senses, they already had their respective titles, and it is difficult to explain in words, even for me.

Indeed, since "the passage of time and the fulfillment of the conditions were met" they had both awakened.

Apparently, these conditions are unique for all, I concluded from listening to their stories.

After the awakening, we realized that the overall effect was the cumulative growth in abilities and an incredible leap in the ability of a few particular ones.

Rusty Iron Knight, a fighter, got a significant boost to his fighting abilities and Doriane-san made significant progress in the field of aromatherapy and relaxation.

Curious on how strong he became, I decided to arrange a fistfight between Rusty Iron Knight and Avenger.

The fight early on between Avenger and Rusty Iron Knight was close, forcing him to go on the defense reluctantly.

[ED: The fight before "Rusty Iron Knight" awakened.]

This time, not only was Rusty Iron Knight able to strike back, he was able to fight with Avenger on equal terms.

After a short standoff between them, Rusty Iron Knight rushed towards Avenger.

Rusty Iron Knight threw strong left and right combinations which could have broke rocks. Avenger ducked the approaching punches so swiftly that afterimages could be seen.

Counterattacking, Avenger threw a hurricane-like uppercut.

Sensing that his jaw would be crushed if it hit, Rusty Iron Knight dodged by bending backward.

Although a direct hit was prevented, Rusty Iron Knight's posture crumbled.

Avenger, not missing the opportunity, continued with a low right kick. An ordinary person would have had a fracture but Rusty Iron Knight was able to endure the attack with his foot.

Enduring the destructive power of the kick, Rusty Iron Knight threw his palm at the chin of Avenger. He avoided this by twisting his neck.

Rusty Iron Knight, hoping for this, placed one arm around the neck of Avenger and fixed the other hand around the back of his head.

While both skillfully breaking Avenger's posture and restraining him, Rusty Iron Knight started kneeing him with a level of strength that would surely put a dent in iron.

Because the neck hold limits one's movement, it is difficult to prevent continuous knee kicks. Because the force exerted from the hands and feet are different, it is hard to stop the force of the kick.

If Rusty Iron Knight's opponent is unable to break free from the restraint, his internal organs or his head might be crushed to a pulp. His relentless attack was indeed that devastating.

However, his opponent right now was Avenger, one of the figures chosen by God. He would not fall, even at this level.

Avenger was able to block most of the knee attacks approaching his body even though his movements were restrained. But still, his defense cannot be said to be perfect so a number of shots were able to hit their mark.

Avenger was rapidly shaking his head to loosen the hold while enduring all the attacks coming at him. Not missing the opportunity at one attack's interval, Avenger threw his shoulder at Rusty Iron Knight's chest.

The violent collision blasted Rusty Iron Knight away and he endured the severe pain without a change in expression. It became hard for him to breathe but still, he did not fall.

He certainly failed to win, but he was able to get in a couple of serious blows and give Avenger a tough fight. For Rusty Iron Knight who, in a short time, was caught up in strength by his own pupil Redhead (currently located in the Royal Capital), this strength gain was most welcome.

After the bloody morning workout, Avenger had a warm smile on his face, satisfied that the new power had given him a decent rival.

They were the couple who pursued strength greedily, and were suited to each other. They could easily be called either the best of friends or the worst of rivals.

As for Doriane-san, the constant guest of "Hot Springs Village" Parabellum, she was ready to judge her skills by using Father Elf as a test subject.

It was still early in the morning, but Father Elf was already awake and heading over in order to take a morning bath. He was just in time for the experiment.

He was reluctant at first, but after realising that he could experience the new development of Doriane-san for free, he happily agreed.

His once proud appearance now seemed like a mere illusion as a relaxed smile appeared on his face. Well, it's best to leave it at that.

Secreting a unique massage oil from her palm, Doriane-san stood over the half-naked Father Elf lying prone on the massage bed. She skillfully massaged the skin of Father Elf without any wasted movements.

The unique oil was gradually absorbed by his skin, and its effect began to emerge. In less than a minute, the consciousness of Father Elf began to float. Drool began to drip out of his mouth through the hole in the massage bed that had been designed exactly for this situation. It was proof that her abilities had profoundly grown and that he was experiencing unbelievable pleasure.

Recently, Father Elf had become accustomed to the massage at the hot springs. I wondered what had become of her skills to make him enter such a trance.

It will be necessary to try it out after capturing this dungeon, I thought, looking at the happy face of Father Elf.

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After finishing with the investigation, and leaving the details to these two, we started today's conquest.

After a short walk, we came out of the treasure area, into a very different terrain from the previous zone.

Cliffs extending endlessly with a height of about 50 meters were to the left and right, and from the edge began a wide river of lava; the shore on the opposite side could not be seen.

Crossing this vast river, you would get to the gates of the spiral tower located in the heart of the volcano. However, the flow of lava to the opposite shore seemed endless. It was not going to be easy to cross.

There were three factors that made crossing difficult.

The first obstacle was the enormous heat emitted by the river. It was possible to go by jumping from the hillside, but the jump would be difficult. About 50 meters in, the heat could seriously burn us and we could become grilled meat. In fact, in order to make sure, I made a clone for reconnaissance and it burnt up without even traveling a few hundred meters. If this happened from the radiation of heat alone, what would happen if one was to fall? Well, I'd be fine but the rest would die for sure.

The second obstacle were the areas where gravity behaved strangely. Above the main flow of the river, some areas had huge chunks of metal floating in the air without melting despite being exposed to steam and the radiant heat of lava.

While some were suspended in the air, the other blocks of metal were not. Even if you tried to fly to get across, you had to be careful of the areas with irregular gravity.

I thought that these lumps of metal would be pretty hot, but from the observations of Kugime-chan, they absorb the heat emitted by the lava river and compress it. As a result, the surface was quite cold, even for those that were just on top of the river. After I tried touching one with my hand, it was just a little warm.

The temperature thus posed no problems. The metal lumps varied in size and their distance from each other ranged from a few meters to hundreds of meters away, so although they moved slowly, you could choose a route and move to another one before it broke. Thus, choosing an optimal metal lump and route, it would be possible to cross the river of lava.

It's just that there were not only places with weak gravitational pull, there were also places with strong ones, sometimes making floating lumps of metal fall into the river of lava with a splash.

This is probably a trap for explorers with the ability to fly. Even if one could fly it still wasn't safer than choosing a path from the metal blocks. If caught off guard, falling metal mass would become a serious threat.

It would be impossible to relax here with things being pulled up to the sky. The irregular gravity makes metal blocks float in the air and countless streams of lava also float around, looking like huge snakes hovering in space.

Although the smaller streams seemed fairly safe, it wasn't the case. We just witnessed a spectacle where one covered several blocks of steel. And at that size, if you are not lucky enough to escape, even your bones would surely disappear.

Lastly, this was also a living area for dungeon monsters. They were like those encountered before, but there were also some other demonic species.

For example:

[Steel Demonic Monkey]: Has dark red colored skin, a muscular metal-like body and two wings.

[Bloody Red Devil Rider]: Rode a pale white horse with a steel mane and held spears, lances and kite shields. It wore sinister-looking armor on its body dyed with the blood of its prey.

[Large-mouth Shark Devil]: It has a huge body of more than 10 meters, covered with black and silver scales. A third of it's body was an incredibly large mouth with lots of individual sharp teeth the size of a dagger.

[Lesser Lava Demon]: Standing at around 2 meters, with a lion-like head with dark red horns and crimson-coloured skin. Also on its back were bat wings, and his feet were like those of a predator with sharp claws. They also held a variety of weapons.

The [Lesser Lava Demons] were also accompanied by their top form [Greater Lava Demon], who were around 3 meters tall.

Some waited on metal lumps, others flew around, and others appeared with the eruption of lava.

In such a place where it was necessary to constantly monitor the entire environment, it was going to become a huge struggle for us.

Because of the possibility of falling chunks of metal into the lava, boulders, or eruption of lava flows in this place, we needed to be fast on our feet and also in destroying enemies.

But there were those with weak endurance like Kugime and Seiji. Also, Irofu and Kanami were quite weak to heat, and even though we can take measures against the heat, we could not assure that there would be no accidents.

So I carried Kanami-chan on my right shoulder. Meanwhile, Minokichi had on his shoulders Seiji and Irofu. Asue had Kugime, and Supesei was on Burasato.

With this we had good mobility while not greatly reducing our combat capabilities. With preparations finished, I ran ahead, Minokichi, Asue, and Burasato-san followed.

Incoming dungeon monsters were easily detected by Kugime-chan thus they were not able to ambush us and we were ready for them.

Let me explain a little more. Sitting on my shoulder was Kanami-chan armed with [Failnaught] obtained from the Elves.

Drawing the bow with the strength of a [Vampire Noble - Variant] until it creaks, she produced bluish silver magic arrows, [Demonic Freezing Arrow], created from her strong ice magic and released at frightening speed.

The arrow released slips through the defense of the approaching [Steel Demonic Monkey] and hits its forehead.

When the arrow pierces the body of the [Steel Demonic Monkey], the magic in the arrow is released. Red spikes from the creature's own frozen blood pierces its body from the inside.

Though the damage from the attack was great, it was not enough to kill the devil with its high life force. It had high resilience, and these wounds would disappear in a few minutes. Only this time he was not so lucky with the environment.

The surrounding flames instantly melted the ice. The water evaporated so quickly resulting in a steam explosion that scattered pieces of the [Steel Demonic Monkey] around leaving in its place only his equipment.

On the other hand Kugime, with mystical rays emanating from her, triggered an attack from a [Large-mouth Devil Shark].

Her voice produced rays in different directions, and after a while it became a collateral attack. Truth was that the power of it was not quite big, but the furious [Large-mouth Devil

Shark] immediately jumped out from hiding at this point. Irofu threw small knives into its metal fins, after which it began to decompose, robbing it of the ability to move.

As expected, with its fins completely rotten, it no longer had the ability to move. Struggling to move like a fish on land, the [Large-mouth Devil Shark] became easy prey.

Here it suffered kicks from Asue, who was carrying Kugime. From these kicks, the local monster flew. Moving like so for a while, we arrived at a little oddly shaped, fairly large lump of metal which had [Bloody Death Devil Horsemen] waiting in a line.

There were 10 of them, with well-coordinated movements, pointing their spears at us. They rushed forward. Because of the awkward shape of the metal lumps, we had nowhere to flee from them.

As there was nothing else we could do, Minokichi took a defensive position. His defensive stance looked unbreakable but the [Bloody Death Devil Riders] continued to accelerate, aiming at his stomach with spears from all sides.

Just a few seconds before the collision with Minokichi, a huge chunk of iron shot up from the ground in front of him.

It was not me, but Asue-chan. Conventional riders would have crashed into the obstacle, but the [Bloody Death Devil Riders] spurred their horses to jump.

Suddenly I witnessed a heroic spectacle. With their feet off the ground, the [Bloody Death Devil Riders] could not dodge any attacks, and they took the strongest of Supesei's heat magic that she had recently learned. The magic was called [Demonic Bullets Lava Dragon].

Having released more than a dozen fire blocks, each of which was about the size of an ogre, she mercilessly shot them at the [Bloody Red Devil Riders].

The strength of the shells was able to completely destroy the mighty ramparts, and her opponents faced certain death.

In addition, these lumps in collision with the enemy had the effect of exploding. Even if they somehow managed to avoid the attack, they would all get caught in the radius of destruction, and be knocked down by the blast and shrapnel.

In the end, there were still a few surviving [Bloody Death Devil Riders] but they were wounded and their movements became very sluggish.

To finish them didn't take long. Nonetheless, this meeting had caused reasonable difficulty.

It was extremely dangerous to linger in one place as the strength of the monsters quickly increased. They ignored all injuries except the most severe wounds. As a result, they were able to move forward very quickly.

With difficulty we finally managed to cross the river of lava in a couple of hours, and saw the entrance to the spiral volcano.

The battle with the monsters on the top of the metal lumps had taken a lot of time, but we had finally almost reached our destination. Yet in the way was a large obstacle. It was a local field boss. He was waiting for us on a huge block of metal, right in front of the spiral volcano.

Dungeon boss called [Taurus Demon Lord "Adada"]

It was a 7 meter demonic version of the Minotaur. The major differences were the huge black bat wings on his back and the ominous looking armor which he was wearing. Instead of the usual axes, he was armed with a huge black scythe.

Of course there were differences in the details. Covering his whole body were black and red bristles, which would probably injure us if we touched them.

Between the two horns on his forehead was a third golden eye, which was superimposed on the enemy, giving a variety of negative statuses such as [Demonic Eye].

I had [Demonic Gaze Immunity] and Kagami-chan and Kanami also possessed [Demonic Eyes]. But the others wouldn't be able to fight him head-on quite so easily.

The [Taurus Demon Lord "Adada"] aimed a black substance from his mouth as us while waving his scythe. Black fire erupted onto the ground and he smashed his scythe downwards. Amazingly, it turned into a black tornado which quickly approached us.

[Dungeon Boss [Taurus Demon Lord "Adada"] successfully defeated]

[As a bonus for the first elimination of the boss will be sent a box of treasure [The Monument Flaming Demon Cows]].

It had been an extremely difficult battle, but we had won in the end.

[Taurus Demon Lord "Adada"], out of all the monsters that we met here was undoubtedly the strongest. Despite his appearance, he was very nimble and covered in shadow, making it difficult to see him. He also moved 3 times faster than what we had thought.

His incredible strength was enough to counter the defence of Minokichi-kun. And while he was very strong in close combat, he also used a black substance which had a [Cursing] effect.

Those touching it immediately fell under some negative status, which was active for a long time. It was sticky like musk and hard to remove. Protection from it was quite difficult, so even owners of [Resistance] could not relax. It also caused excruciating pain to its victims. I had experienced it once, and I was not so eager to do so again.

Those were his strengths, so I basically had to take him on by myself while covering the rest.

If that wasn't enough, [Taurus Demon Lord "Adada"] also had the ability to summon other demons.

If I did not have [Greater Summoning: Demonkin], we would have been overwhelmed with crowds of [Taurus Demons].

A few dozen wouldn't be difficult to deal with, but several hundred would be nearly impossible.

Nonetheless, we defeated the [Taurus Demon Lord "Adada"], and safely reached the entrance to the spiral volcano.

It didn't seem wise to continue with such injuries and fatigue, as it would make going further much more difficult. I had already collected some new trophies for my item box, so it was decided to spend the night in front of the gate.

There was certainly a chance that we would get attacked by very strong monsters, but the intervals between attacks were less here. Thankfully, we could rest and recover.

We had [Taurus Demon Lord "Adada"] and [Taurus Demons] for dinner, and went to bed early in preparation for tomorrow.

Ability [Hellfire] learned.
Ability [Aspect of a Demon] learned.
Ability [Soul Hunting Scythe] learned.
Ability [Lesser Summoning: Fiend] learned.
Ability [Intermediate Summoning: Fiend] learned.
Ability [Greater Summoning: Fiend] learned.

I wonder why [Summon: Fiend] rose from Lesser to Greater straight away.

Using the Skeleton Centipede increases comfort even in a harsh environment, and thus we could comfortably relax for the rest of the day.

Today's [Synthesis] results:

[Lesser Summoning: Fiend] + [Intermediate Summoning: Fiend] + [Greater Summoning: Fiend] = [Summon Archfiend]

[Escape] + [Emergency Retreat] = [Emergency Escape]

[Black Demon's Charge] + [Elephant's Roar] = [Black Demon King's Mad Advance]

[Improved Cutting Power] + [Increase Stabbing Force] = [Great Slash Penetration Enhancement]

[Vampirephilia] + [Blood Eater Beast] = [Blood Vampire]

[Storm Sword Dance] + [Acrobatics Sword Dance] = [Dance Song Sword Storm]

[Black Demon's Roar] + [Wyvern's Roar] + [Wailing Wyvern's Body] + [Ghost Cry] + [Voice of Death] = [Death-dealing Roar (Desperado)]

Day 242

Using yesterday's synthesis of [Summon: Archfiend], I was able to call on a [Black Taurus Demon Lord].

As expected, I could not summon the [Taurus Demon Lord "Adada"] as it was a dungeon boss of the [God] class. It turns out that there really isn't anything that can be done about that.

True, there wasn't ever a high chance of succeeding, and the fact that I was able to summon the [Black Taurus Demon Lord] is lucky in itself.

After I level up my summoning even more, maybe I can call on him, but until I do I won't be able to find out.

I immediately decided to gauge the strength of the summoned [Black Taurus Demon Lord], and he was quite strong.

I consumed a relatively large amount of mana while summoning him and it took quite some time. However, the advantages outweigh the disadvantages.

He seemed strong enough, he could fly, and his body could engage in a variety of abilities.

Since I wanted to know what else I could summon apart from the [Black Taurus Demon Lord], I tried many things that seemed possible. It was likely that with this skill, I would soon be able to call upon something else as well.

As we had done with the [Black Minotaur], we had Black Taurus Demon Lords for breakfast.

Their meat was a little tough, but with every bite my mouth was filled with a huge amount of meat juice, the taste of which I quite liked.

Of course it wasn't as good as the [Taurus Demon Lord Adada] which we had eaten yesterday, but the difference wasn't that noticeable. Overall, we all thought it was excellent meat.

Yet, I wonder how delicious it would be if I gave it to the Sisters to prepare?

Now it has become necessary to quickly finish the dungeon so I can ask them to cook it!

Speaking of which, we finished breakfast and revitalized ourselves, and were ready to conquer the spiral volcano.

In order to get to the top of the volcano, we had to climb the spiral road that twisted up and around its slope.

One could immediately fly to the top, but there were likely to be traps involving high gravity areas.

Or there might even be something even worse. Just before reaching the summit, the volcano might erupt, and there would be nothing you could do to avoid being cooked alive.

There were black clouds gathering around the summit, and a large amount of lightning strikes could be seen within them. I decided not to fly to avoid being struck by the lightning. Putting all things together, gravity, lightning, or whatever traps there could be, the bottom line is that I just did not want to fall from that height.

Anyway, it didn't matter what might have happened while flying, because many in our group could not do so. So there was no alternative than to walk up the slope.

The spiral mountain road was made of solidified lava, about 1 meter wide, which made it a difficult trip.

The path was large enough to climb, but when fighting groups of monsters, the space would become quite narrow.

To progress, we would inevitably have to fight off waves of monsters that were waiting for us.

Running away wasn't an option, as there was nowhere to go, and if we turned our backs on the enemy we would immediately be destroyed. We had no choice but to fight.

The place was enjoyable in terms of the difficulty of the individual monsters encountered. Each monster was quite strong but not overwhelmingly so.

The strength of the demons that this dungeon could provide was equal to that of a [Demigod] class dungeon boss. However, the difficulty arose as they would be attacking in groups.

Fortunately, the [God] class monsters (of the Flames of Fire Dragon Mountain dungeon) were pretty small, and the size of their groups wasn't too big. And even if we encountered a large group, our party contained more than a few fighters.

In this place, the individual field bosses were much stronger than the mobs of monsters, but overcoming them through our sheer numbers was easy.

In fact, at this level, Minokichi or Kanami could come here and defeat monsters quite comfortably.

I found that this was much easier than when I conquered the underground [Demigod] Rank dungeon.

There were some problems, but there wasn't any serious injuries.

Nonetheless, the numbers of monsters was extremely large.

We fought battle after battle without rest, and with the accumulated fatigue, the motions of my friends became much slower.

Of course, we were being treated by Seiji, and he relieved us of our fatigue, but removing it was no simple task.

This started to exhaust us, and there was also some damage to our equipment.

It wasn't damaged to such a degree that it would break, but our reactions had became slower and large amounts of scars have been carved into the armor.

Although there was a lot of damage, our frequent maintenance ensured that nothing was destroyed. Just in case of an emergency, we should be more careful in the future.

As we continued up the slope we found a small den in the evening. I summoned a [Black Taurus Demon Lord] and made him guard the entrance. With that, we could spend the night without any problems. However, tomorrow is the battle with the boss of the dungeon.

Thus, for the sake of tomorrow's battle, today we will prepare and rest.

The results of today's synthesis:

[Giant King's Supreme Strike] + [Giant's Iron Hammer] + [Armor Collapse] + [Overkill] + [Surging Destructive Fists of Flesh Crushing] + [Pressurized Thunder Cannon] = [Divine Destruction of the Black Demon]

[Illogical Adamantine Strength] + [Berserker Mode] + [Heightened Stamina] + [Body of Giant Elephant] + [Herculean Strength] + [Rhinoceros Bone Body Armor] = [Renovate Tyrannical Power of the Black Demon]

[Pyrokinesis] + [Hydro Hand] + [Electromaster] + [Aero Master] + [Earth Control] + [Plant Control] + [Photon Ruler] + [Gravity Law] + [Elemental (Spirit User)] = [All Creation]

[Echoing Arms of the Thunderstorm] + [Bright Red Arms of Boiling] = [Bright Arms of the Thunderstorm]

[Unhealing Cursed Wound] + [Curse Flame] = [Sizzling Cursed Wounds]

[Improved Digestion] + [Challenging View of the Great Whale] = [Challenging Superior View of a Great Whale]

Day 243

After resting, our group was in an excellent state. Most of our mental and physical fatigue was gone, our mana was replenished, and my comrades were eager for battle.

We were ready for the forthcoming battle with the boss that was undoubtedly going to be difficult.

We checked the state of everyone in the group and examined all of our equipment.

We repaired even the smallest damage to make sure we didn't lose because of it. We were fortunate that the main damage we sustained were small holes in our clothes.

After checking over everything several times, we had breakfast as usual. After finishing his mission of protecting us, the [Black Taurus Demon Lord] was served as breakfast with vegetables and rice that we had gathered in the maze. We ate for longer than usual to enjoy its taste.

The breakfast took place in silence. We all understood that, depending on how this battle plays out, one or more of us could die. Naturally, we're not going to lose, but this could be our final meal together.

Knowing this, our faces were filled with determination.

What lay ahead of us was not just the strongest monster here, but the original source of all the power in this place, a being that was on a higher level of existence than us.

Thinking about our overall safety, the right option would be to retreat here.

By now, we had had achieved a good result, and there was no need to take a risk which had such a high chance of death.

Besides this dungeon, there are still many places where you can gain power and then come back with confidence.

But that wasn't our style, and there was not even one mention of turning back.

Besides, did any one of us even know how to return back from here?

Probably not. All those that were gathered here were fools for not thinking about that earlier.

Having finished a long breakfast with a little break, we proceeded to the top.

The end of the spiral mountain road was 100 meters from the caves, but there were no monsters in sight.

At the end of the long path was the volcano crater, looking like the entrance to hell. We were so close to the lava that it would be hard to get any closer without starting to burn.

If you were unfortunate enough to fall down you wouldn’t even reach the bottom. Long before that you would burn up and be turned into ash.

Despite drinking the [Cooling Liquid] and wrapping themselves in heat-resisting cloth, the skin of Kanami-chan and the others slowly began to roast.

At the center of the crater, there was a huge lump of iron floating in the air. As it was flat and round, with a diameter of up to several hundred meters, it was a place suited for battle. It looked like someone had prepared a God's Arena.

Several blocks of steel led to the arena, but the boss was nowhere to be seen.

From what I could tell, stepping onto it would cause the path to it to immediately disappear. This would be followed by the appearance of the dungeon boss in the center.

That is, the identity of the boss would only be revealed after we stepped onto the arena. But once that happened there would be no turning back.

All this was well understood, and we exchanged glances and nodded silently.

So the decision was made and we set foot onto the floating chunk of iron.

Hovering on a fiery abyss, was the arena on which we were going to put our lives on the line.

Truly a suitable place for the boss of the dungeon.

On the way to the arena, as expected, the lumps of metal immediately fell straight into the abyss.

A few seconds later, after we were on the scene, all of them were gone. The place was shook by a deafening roar so powerful, it seemed the world was about to crumble.

This roar, not just imposed for all to hear, had various bad effects - in the worst case it could even kill.

After that first attack, I used [Phased Array Radar] and [Sense Area], feeling a huge living being directly above us in the volcanic crater.

Looking at the black clouds, I saw a scarlet coloured flying object.

With folded wings, he dived into the arena. When he was almost at the surface, he spread his broad wings to significantly soften the blow of the landing.

The wind generated by this sudden deceleration was immense. Seiji-kun and Kugime-chan almost flew off the arena.

It was still not fully able to reduce the momentum of the fall, resulting in a very strong impact. I thought that he was going to flip over the entire arena.

Fortunately the shaking did not last long, and when it stabilized, a few dozen meters from us stood the creature that we had come to slay.

The creature that had fallen from the sky was a huge scarlet [Wisdom Dragon].

The official name of this place was Flames of Fire Dragon Mountain, so it should have been expected. I really did not want to be surprised after meeting a dragon here.

The length of its body, which exceeded 100 meters, was flawlessly covered with beautiful scarlet scales. The membranes on the wings looked like they were made out of steel, and his muscled legs easily supported a body that weighed several tens of tons. Overflowing with energy, these same legs ended in huge claws, which were not inferior to demonic swords.

[ED Zak: Changed Purple to Scarlet. Scarlet is red. Royal purple is actually red. Crimson is red. It should be a RED dragon, and it is what you would expect from a dragon that lives in a freaking volcano. And the claws looks severe, not brutal.]

Behind his back were wings that easily exceeded 200 meters in length.

From his neck, which was as thick as his body, there was a head resembling a cross between lizard and a crocodile.

He curiously studied us with his 9 golden dragon eyes.

From his huge jaws, capable of swallowing a whole house and armed with sharp white teeth, came a burst of dragon flames.

It was a titanic sentient being, with a gaze able to rob foes of their fighting spirit.

And now that gaze was set upon us.

"Well done for getting here, to the final test. My name is [Ignatos], proud heir of the [Dragon Emperor Red Flame], [Scarlet Dragon Emperor]. Under the oath between me and my wife and God, I stand here as the owner of the mountain."

"If you don't want to be wiped out by my fire, you can try to take my life. I am putting my life on the line, so I'll fight you with my full strength."

He made his statement in a deep, resonating voice.

Originally, dragons, on par with the giants, were the most powerful race in the world.

And even among others this eye-catching scarlet Dragon Emperor was equivalent in power to natural disasters. He was indeed was the ruler of [Flames of Fire Dragon Mountain].

Standing before the Emperor of Red Dragons, and influenced by only one thing, Kanami-chan and the company swallowed their saliva, tightening their grip on their weapons.

We fully understood the wonder of this creature, but right now we were preoccupied with other thoughts.

How would his thick legs taste? If we were able to split his thick skull and eat its contents, would we still experience the same pleasure? If I absorbed his inner power, how strong would it be?

If we were to snatch his heart and fry it, what would it smell like? And how many days would it take us to gobble up such a behemoth???

Thinking only of this, we looked at the [Scarlet Dragon Emperor] as a rare and super high quality ingredient.

Faced with this unprecedented attitude towards himself, the [Emperor of Red Dragons] looked on with discontentment. Well, who cares?

Now, we only wanted to catch the scarlet dragon. This was the most delicious of all the ingredients that had been shown before us!!!

We would eagerly devour the flesh of the [Scarlet Dragon Emperor]!!!

Thus, for the sake of satisfying our appetite, we started to hunt the dragon.

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Honestly, we didn't consider the risks. Just why did we have to prioritize our appetite first?

There are no regrets though, so we'll just have to be careful. As much as possible, I'd like to stick with it till the end.

The battle against the Crimson Dragon Emperor had been going on since yesterday. But on today's morning, we're finally about to finish.

It was terrifying. After all, the Crimson Dragon Emperor was ridiculously strong. The damage we sustained was enormous.

Us 9 demons continued to fight until today. However it was only Minokichi-kun, who boasts a strong body,Kanami-chan, who was acting efficiently in the back, and me, who still has some hidden trump cards, that were still able to fight.

Thankfully no one died. The other six demons wouldn't be moving for a while due to their current conditions.

First up, Burasato-san had attacked at close range with great intensity.

Thanks to her experience and skill, she was able to crack through the tough dragon scales with her sword techniques, managing to damage the thick dragon shells. By combining her abilities, she was able to deeply cut the flesh underneath, causing the dragon to steadily accumulate damage.

While in the middle of the battle, Burasato was somehow able to dominate the purple dragon blood by force.

The Crimson Dragon Emperor's blood contained a large amount of dissolved magic, turning it into a dangerous substance that can cause one to die from madness if they came into contact with it.

Even though she is a Blood Lord Subspecies specialized in controlling and using blood as a weapon, what she did was definitely not an easy task.

It was a reckless move, something that a normal Blood Lord wouldn't even think of in the first place. Even if they were able to control it, using it would only result in death.

However, Burasato took things slowly and carefully, making it possible.

All of the draconic blood controlled by her converged into a giant sword-like weapon.

After that, she swung it with all her might in combination with her Sword Techniques.

The length of the dragon blood sword was nearly dozens of meters and yet despite that, the speed at which it was swung was almost impossible to see. The attack succeeded in cutting the roots of the two pairs of wings that grew on the back of the Dragon Emperor.

Draconic blood has the capability to inhibit one's abilities, and with Burasato managing to take control of the blood, the Crimson Dragon Emperor seemed to be affected by his own blood as well.

With its regeneration slowed down and having lost its means of escaping to the sky, the enemy was now inevitably locked in combat.

Although it was a magnificent result, the price to pay for using dragon blood was heavy.

Although Burasato had only wielded it momentarily, she began vomiting blood repeatedly and her whole body became dyed in red. Beneath her armor, her skin and muscles were being torn apart.

As such, her body was in tatters. It was the price to pay for doing something so reckless. Still, her willpower kept her fighting while she was being healed.

After reaching her limits, Burasato went to the rear to the recover and drank several recovery potions. Even if one was at their limits, with several potions ingested for recovery, they would be able to recover.

After her came Supesei-san. She dealt a staggering blow to the Crimson Dragon Emperor thanks to the magic that she was able to prepare, using the time given by our vanguard.

Regrettably, the Crimson Dragon Emperor had the skill 【Flame Nullification】 and as a result, Supesei's powerful Fire Magic had no effect. Still, she made full use of her wide variety of magic by combining them together, playing an active role in many occasions.

Since she was fighting from the back, she did not suffer any severe physical injuries. However, due to the consecutive use of high-powered magic, her once enormous magic power was now depleted.

The side effects were quite strong but thanks to a last minute 【Mana Vitamin】 and 【Concentrated Mana Potion】, she didn't suffer from magic deficiency. Although if she had acted a little more recklessly, she would have lost consciousness.

Right now, she was lying down besides Burasato, waiting until her magic power naturally recovered slightly.

In order to protect those in the back from the Crimson Dragon Emperor's flames, Asue-chan had brought out a conveniently sized lump of heat absorbing metal and held it with all of her might. The lump of metal was something I had collected back in the large river.

Although it cannot completely stop the Dragon's flames, it was still able to absorb most of the attack and protect those in back.

However, after ten minutes of resisting, the lump of metal could no longer endure the heat and resulted in severe burns on Asue's arms and legs.

It was only due to her equipment and Seiji-kun's treatment that her limbs were not fully burnt. Nonetheless, the burns on her limbs were still quite severe.

In addition to that, her endurance had reached its limit due to the intense movements she had undertook. Right now, she was lying down and recovering in the same manner as Supesei.

As for Seiji and Kugime, since their bodies were not physically fit, they had passed out from magic deficiency.

Because Seiji pushed himself to the limit in healing everyone, he had eventually run out of magic power.

Among us 9 demons, only Seiji and I can heal others. But, because I was busy dealing with the dragon, it was all up to him to perform the necessary medical treatment on the others.

As a Saint Lord subspecies, Seiji has the capability to heal everyone. He has never had any problems. That was up til now.

While I did help out, it was only a bit in order to close the gap. Seiji-kun had to use his abilities beyond conventional limits.

Even if he was vomiting blood, he probably would've continued healing everybody. If it weren't for him, someone probably would have died.

As a result, he started suffering from magic deficiency. Right now, he's sleeping peacefully with the others. Once he gets up, I intend to praise him for his great efforts.

Kugime-chan observed the whole body of the Crimson Dragon Emperor. Every time she foresaw an attack, she would inform everyone about it. At this particular time, she was looking for the very few weak points that were common to all of Dragon kind.

There was only one weak point in the scales of the dragon's body; the part known as the【Dragon's Reverse Scale】.

Naturally, there are probably countless number of scales covering that part but looking for another weakness right now was impossible.

Besides, the Dragon was spewing out a lot of magical power which hampered Kugime-chan's perception.

You'd need the same amount of magical power to cancel the effect. Though Kugime-chan managed to do it somehow, she started to bleed from her eyes and nose due to the extreme strain it caused on her brain. Still, she managed to find the weak spot.

However, due to this, Kugime-chan ended up with Magic Deficiency. Although thanks to her, it was now possible to find and attack the 【Dragon's Reverse Scale】. She did great.

As for Irofu-chan, she kept the dragon from flying.

She played an active part by using her corrosive attack while hiding herself behind everyone else.

Unfortunately, when Burasato cut off the wings, Irofu was caught by an attack from the tail of the Crimson Dragon Emperor. As a result, she got blown away by the impact.

Although she managed to escape the fate of being fully crushed, she still suffered grave injuries, her lower half having been turned to mush.

I quickly treated her with my 【Blood Elixir】 though she didn't regain consciousness. For now, I rolled her close to Supesei while healing her.

Among everyone, Irofu had the most severe injuries. Well, she did mumble the words 『Overwhelming pathos…… a handsome man and a wild beast…… dripping with sweat as their flesh clash……』, so it was unlikely that she would die.

Irofu-chan; she probably wouldn't die even if someone tried to kill her.

With the current condition of six Demons, only us 3 Demons were left standing up against the Crimson Dragon Emperor.

As the dragon was stuck to the ground, his strength had been reduced to approximately a quarter of what it had been at the start.

The accumulated damage on his beautiful scales was visible and most of his strong limbs had been severed. His four wings are already gone, half being severed by Burasato-san's blood sword and the other by me and Minokichi-kun. Right now, the severed parts were lying around somewhere nearby.

Some of his huge internal organs had already spilled out from the numerous injuries surrounding his body, having been pushed out by flowing blood.

He was still alive even in this state. The Crimson Dragon Emperor was truly really strong.

It doesn't matter. It wouldn't change the fact that he will die soon.

With the Starving Impaler of A Thousand Thorn (Kazıklı Bey), I pierced the reverse scale located on his throats. Half of my spear's handle was buried in his throat in the process.

Pulling it out, I then followed by thrusting the vermilion spear towards the golden eye located in the middle of the dragon's forehead.

I then triggered the spear's special ability, 【Army of the Bloody Vermilion Spear】, annihilating the dragon's brain and other internal organs.

However, even though most of his brain had been destroyed, the Crimson Dragon Emperor did not die. Rather than dying, he even tried to bite me.

- This kind of vitality, isn't it ridiculous!?

Not wanting another counter attack, I activated 【Unhealing Cursed Wound】.

With this, even 【Flame Nullification】 would not be able to stop the Abnormal Conditions (Bad Status).

Even if it only impairs his regenerative ability a little, he would still surely die.

As expected, what life was left in the Crimson Dragon Emperor disappeared from his eyes.

With this, I guess we've finally captured 【Flames of Fire Dragon Mountain】.

【Field Boss ［Crimson Dragon Emperor – "Fleyv Ignatus"］ has been successfully subjugated】

【As a bonus for being the first to subjugate, the treasure chest 【Crimson Emperor's Tomb】 will be given】

…… Huh. Apparently, there's still more.

Hearing such a shocking announcement, I couldn't help but feel exhausted. While contemplating the announcement, I quickly collected the treasure chest and the body of the Crimson Dragon Emperor.

After that, the missing ladder reappeared.

It seems like we can finally leave the arena.

Soon, there was a new spiral path leading to the bottom of the crater.

The wall of rocks in the crater changed to accommodate the new path. It was also possible to go back to the dungeon entrance by flying or by going through the floating mass of metal located on the opposite side.

In addition, I sensed several creatures flying from the bottom of the crater.

According to 【Phased Radar Array】 and 【Sense Area】, there were 6 of them.

Moreover, there was a unique reaction that made it seem like their bodies had just been created.

If I were to guess, it looks like the dungeon boss who created them was waiting at the bottom of the crater.

Moreover, the opponents are troublesome when I think about it. The 6 flew up with great vigor from the bottom up towards the arena, showing their true appearance.

Three “Heat Dragons”, two “Fire Dragons”, and one “Flame Dragon”. However, they felt more like a single entity.

The length of the Heat Dragons were around 15 meters, the Fire Dragons around 20 meters, and the Flame Dragon around 30 meters long. After having fought against the Crimson Dragon Emperor, they might look small when compared to him but they’re still huge.

By the way, it is said that a normal Heat Dragon is capable of fighting against a Fomorian.

Normally, it’s not something I would consider as an enemy. However, taking into account the benefits it receives from the dungeon and the geographical advantage, it’s now a formidable opponent.

Including the Fire Dragons which are higher-ranked Heat Dragons, and also the Flame Dragon which is even more powerful, we cannot fight them carelessly.

While I started planning, the six dragons remained hovering dozens of meters above us.

Together, they simultaneously used their 【Dragon Breath】.

Their dragon breath mixed into one seamlessly, significantly raising the heat.

Just one breath was already strong and now there were six of them combined.

If I were to try and endure the attack with my 【Resistance】, I would be overwhelmed by the heat.

If it hits the arena, it would instantly cover the entire place with crimson flames.

Not holding back at all, I used 【All Creation】 on the descending breath, compressing it as it approached. I thought it would be harder but compressing it was easier than expected.

Even though the fire ball was made by six dragons, it couldn't be compared to that of the Crimson Dragon Emperor.

Though it's certainly strong, the power is still not to that extent.

The once huge fire ball had been reduced to one meter in size. While it continued to burn, I still kept on compressing it.

I wonder what would happen if I used 【Greater Compression】 on it? I tried it out.

As a result, the breath became thumb-sized and resembled a precious gem that was shining brightly.

Putting that aside, the dragons were left dumbfounded after seeing such a spectacle.

Having obtained this Flame Gem, I ate it with the help of 【Absorb Magic】.

After doing so, I felt satisfied. It was the unique feeling of something which had been lost being replenished.

To be frank, it wasn't delicious since there was/it had no taste. Still, a fireball made from the magic of six dragons was more than enough to recover my own power.

I felt relieved for managing to absorb the magic power of the dragon's breath. Knowing this however, I couldn't help but think that I should've done this from the start. Well, I'll just keep that tidbit to myself.

Meanwhile, the dragons were now descending straight towards me. They probably thought that their breath was useless against me.

And it looked like they had decided to kill me up close and personal. With their eyes set on me, they roared fiercely and bared their sharp fangs.

Anyways, fighting them head on would just exhaust me. Instead, I used 【All Creation】 to increase the gravity around them by a factor of ten.

Unable to withstand the burden, the dragons crashed onto the arena one by one.

The impact was terrific, managing to tear and rip through their tough dragon scales. I guess I could say that their posture during their fall was bad? There was even one which had all of the bones in its thick limbs broken.

Though the pain angered them, they couldn't move at all due to the powerful force weighing them down.

They writhed painfully as they continued to endure the force.

I approached the dragons while keeping my guard up. With my vermillion spear, I stabbed each dragon once and gouged their hearts out.

After doing so, I then collected all the corpses.

For managing to obtain a large amount of Dragon ingredients, I am thankful.

However, even though I've already defeated the dragons, there were more coming up.

This time, I could perceive 12 of them, twice as many as before.

Even if it's that much, I think I can still deal with them no matter what.

However, there were six demons that couldn't move and if I tried to protect them at the same time, the fight could become very tough.

Even if they were to advance or pull back, there were still a lot of risks.

Besides, even though Minokichi-kun and Kanami-chan can still move, they can't fight at full strength. Even with a Gods 【Divine Protection】, even if their minds and bodies had been toughened by daily training, as a species, there surely exists a physical limit.

Having just finished the fight against the Crimson Dragon Emperor, the two would likely reach their limits if they attempted to fight the dragons without any rest.

In this case, I was the only demon who could still fight.

Still, I don't know if even 【Summon Archfiend】 can keep them safe and if possible, I don't want such a disadvantageous situation to appear.

In this situation, wouldn't we get eaten by the dragons? Or maybe we would just be burnt down to the ground and turned into ash.

I'd want to avoid that at all costs.

There are others waiting for us to return and I still want to do some more things.

In that case, I can only propose an absurd plan.

First, I will have Minokichi-kun and Kanami-chan protect the six demons in the arena.

Meanwhile, I will head down to the bottom of the crater and reduce the number of dragons so that the two could handle them. After doing so, I will go and defeat the Dungeon Boss by myself.

By doing so, the capture can be completed and I can return without any regrets. It's something that can't even be called a plan.

When I told them, they complained about it but… well, there's no other choice.

Because it's a plan mixed with my own interests, I just listened to their complaints.

For some reason, unrelated complains were mixed in as well though I just set those aside.

After hearing out their words, I carried out my plan.

As for them, they said something like 『Well… Since its Aporou, there's no helping it.』 before letting me go.

It was probably the result of the trust that I have built from them since the beginning. They most likely believed that I would be able to carry out this absurd plan.

Entrusting them with the rest, I jumped off the arena.

Minokichi-kun blamed himself for his weakness and injuries, but was determined to succeed in his goal of protecting the other six demons.

Although she worried about my safe return, Kanami-chan waved goodbye with a beautiful smile that would have charmed anyone looking at her.

"Well then, I'm going, I leave the rest to you."

Holding onto a red spear and cursed spear, Aporou, the black demon Apostle Lord, jumped off the arena. As Aporou began to fall, a tremendous amount of pressurised hot air blew past him. He had avoided the normal route which was the spiral path along the walls of the crater. As a result, he approached his destination extremely quickly.

Because of the speed of the fall, the temperature change was immediate, and very soon the heat reached a point where the fireproof outfit in which he was dressed reached its limit.

The magic items, which had cost a lot of money and up till this time had performed their duties properly, disintegrated in less than 10 seconds from the beginning of the fall.

The heat did not weaken, but only intensified, and it began to disintegrate the armor that protected his upper body, leaving him in his pants alone, which were now his only armor.

Fortunately, having [Iolite Liquid], [Refractory Mucus Secretion] and [Complete Fire Resistance], he was not in any real danger.

The fall was only safe because he was Aporou, and so the heat was still easy to deal with. Anyone else in his place would have turned into ashes long ago.

Below the arena, there was only a blazing inferno.

But in these flames of hell there were still monsters.

These monsters were dragons, long known as one of the mightiest species. Covered with bright red scales, and possessing a huge body, they carried destruction with them.

They approached in a group of twelve. ♣ 6 [Red Dragons] ♣ 4 [Flaming dragons] ♣ 2 [Purple dragons]

If the dragons were to attack outside of the dungeon, they held enough power to easily destroy a large kingdom.

The 12 Dragons looked down on the defenseless demon who was seemingly taunting them.

Unlike the wyverns, dragons have sharp intelligence.

To them, it appeared that he had decided to commit suicide by jumping off the arena.

And even if this wasn't the case, a demon capable of flight, in the eyes of dragons, looked pretty pathetic.

To them, he was seemingly bringing himself on a platter for lunch.

The manner in which he wanted to commit suicide also seemed stupid. And so the dragons thought, who knew nothing about Aporou.

However, they had to obey the orders of Ardour Mother Empress Dragon, "Mustaria Ignatos" and kill the intruder at any cost. Using the magical power contained in their throats, they directed their flames towards Aporou.

All at once, the twelve of them opened fire.

The sight of it was like a volcanic eruption, and it seemed like anything within attack range would be turned into ashes. If such an attack hit directly, then perhaps even Aporou would not survive.

However, that was before he had evolved. Instead, Aporou just smiled wickedly.

If a lizard has just learned how to fly, tell it not to be conceited.

"On the road"

[[[Rou|Aporou]] used combat art [Multiple Lightning Cross]]

[[[Rou|Aporou]] used combat art [Killer Breath]]

Due to the profession [Holy Knight (Crusader)], he was able to use [Crusades Attack]. Even without [Groin Attacks] and [Multiple Lightning Cross], it still has great damage. It had a large radius of destruction, and thus was an excellent fighting art.

In addition, Aporou had the ability [Grand Cross Smash], adding a bonus to the attack and further increasing attack power. It was enough to punch their breath. As well as this, he held the profession [Dragon Slayer] and combat art [Killer Breath].

As the name states, this combat technique was very effective against breath attacks.

Aporou performed just two fighting techniques with his spears, but in the next instant the area in front of him was covered in red flashes. The space in front of him exploded with large amounts of cuts and strikes.

The flames, previously on course at Aporou, were cut into 4 pieces as easily as paper.

However, although the flames had been split into parts, they had not yet lost all of their power. As such, the attack was not completely prevented.

Luckily, the cuts resulted in the flames splitting around Aporou and escaping upwards towards the sky, leaving him unharmed.

They rose hundreds of meters with a terrible roar, and finally dissipated near the top.

This slightly surprised Minokichi-kun and the other demons at the top, but they were unharmed as it did not quite reach them.

The first attack of the dragons was a complete failure.

As such, the dragons were stunned to see Aporou unharmed from their attack.

Even after witnessing his response, they could still not comprehend how such an action was possible. Because of their confusion, their next response was even slower than that of the wyverns.

Laughing at the dragons, Aporou activated the [Death Dealing Roar (Desperado)] and used [All Creation] so that anyone apart from the dragons wouldn't be harmed.

"Die."

The short phrase had enough strength to instantly kill 6 of the red dragons.

With all of their life force drained out of them, their enormous bodies crashed to the ground.

The rest of the dragons which had survived, the flaming dragons and purple dragons, did not die. However, it could not be said that they had escaped the attack unharmed.

The flaming dragons had become dull in their movements and their speed had visibly decreased.

They beat their wings desperately while trying to maintain their flight, releasing huge amounts of energy.

They could not understand what was happening to them.

The strongest of the three types, the purple dragons, only slowed down slightly.

Realising that part of their group had perished, the dragons recovered from the attack and glared at Aporou angrily.

The Dragons then focused on him with magical power burning in their eyes.

Usually, living organisms would be rendered helpless under the concentrated power of such a gaze, and some may have even died.

For dragons, this common method of attack allowed them to suppress the opponent's attacks and allow an easy victory.

If they had used it against any normal opponent, it would have been quite effective.

Unfortunately, it was the wrong move to make as the opponent they faced easily surpassed the classification of 'normal'.

And so, throwing their evil glances at him, the dragons stared straight into the eyes of Aporou.

He responded by activating [Deadly Evil Eye], and immediately the predator became the prey.

The dragons could have eventually recovered from the negative effects of [Deadly Evil Eye], but they were still under the influence of [Death-Dealing Roar (Desperado)]. Thus the effect of the attack was multiplied and the power was significantly increased.

Almost immediately, the 4 flaming dragons stopped beating their wings and fell into the fiery abyss.

As things stood, 10 of the 12 had already lost their lives without much of a fight.

The scene was not something that the average person could fathom, but even for [The Legendary Hero], it looked quite unreal.

The remaining dragons were a superior species than the others.

Although they had been reduced to a weaker state by their injuries, pride allowed them to roar and with bloodshot eyes they flew at him as though he was their sworn enemy.

"Gaaooooooo!!!"

In response to this, Aporou grinned ferociously.

He looked as though he had been waiting for a good catch of catfish which had just ran straight into him.

"Shii??"

Transparent black wings grew behind Aporou through his [Elytron Generation] and rapidly beat the air. The power of the wings sent strong waves of air away from him.

The distance between him and the purple dragons seemed to instantly disappear as he flew forward. [Aporou used combat art [Headhunting]

His Job [Vorpal Punisher] and Battle art [Headhunting] made both his red and cursed spears coordinate in the timing of their attack.

Two sets of red flashes later, the heads of the purple dragons were cleanly cut off.

The power of the blow was such that the durable dragon scales provided no resistance, easily cutting through the flesh.

The severed heads of the purple dragons retained their life for just a second, enough for Aporou to see his victorious reflection in their eyes.

"Beautiful, the blood of this purple dragon."

He tore off the necks vigorously, ejecting a huge fountain of blood. Since it didn't evaporate from the heat, he poured it all over his own body.

Since dragon blood was high in magical potency, spilling it on oneself in such a quantity was quite dangerous. An ordinary person would immediately begin to collapse in agony from the pain, and it would not be surprising if their whole body began to disintegrate.

"Oh, this thing is better than I thought. It doesn't feel that bad".

Indeed, the blood served the opposite effect on Aporou, and strengthened him instead of inflicting any harm.

After activating [Bloodsucking Vampire], the fresh purple dragon blood further replenished Aporou's strength.

He then retained his self-control, and the blood on his whole body gradually evaporated. He quickly collected the bodies of 12 dragons, and began to hurry downwards towards what he was sure was certain hell.

During his flight, Aporou encountered three waves of ferocious dragons. The number of dragons increased as well as the quality of their attacks. Soon, the fighting had increased in difficulty and he could no longer kill them instantly.

Enough time had passed since he had left and there could soon be an attack on Kanami-chan and the other demons. Now that he considered how long he had been flying, it was likely that the battle had re-begun in the arena.

He was not really worried about their ability, but rather if they were able to recover in the time that he had bought them. However, he was now approaching the bottom of the volcano and had no time to be distracted by someone else's battle.

"This...truly, it is huge".

He saw lava that glowed like the sun, and in it floated an enormous mass of metal, the "final arena."

The temperature here was so intense that his internal organs began to bake from the heat. Here, at the bottom of hell, one dragon waited for Aporou.

This dragon was quite similar to the one that the 9 demons had just beaten.

It was probably of the same race or a close relative species.

This one differed from the Crimson Dragon Emperor in that it had two pairs of huge arms instead of wings on its back, and 10 horns shaped like a crown protruded from its head. The shape of the dragon was also slightly different.

But these differences can be attributed to the gender and individual characteristics of members of the race.

Aporou was not surprised because he did not even care.

But what surprised Aporou was the fact that, for some reason, this dragon was even stronger than the Crimson Dragon Emperor.

The lower part of the dragon was not even in the final stage as it was submerged under lava, and its body lay in a cave carved into the wall of the crater.

Although it was not entirely visible, Aporou could sense its size using [Sense Area]. Its total length was longer than the Crimson Dragon Emperor's body by at least 150 meters, and if its hands were to be held apart, its wingspan would have been more than 300 meters.

As such, its other body parts were also huge in scale.

In front of this massive dragon, Aporou looked like an ant compared to an elephant.

In addition to the huge body, its aura was overwhelming due to the magical power it possessed.

Its power made you feel like you would disappear if its gaze was directed upon you.

If the opponent facing the dragon did not have a strong will like Aporou, he would die with fear on the spot.

The huge dragon looked at the intruder into its lair, and opened up a mouth which could have easily engulfed a building.

"Congratulations, you managed to defeat my brother; and to get here, you are quite worthy." "I am [Musutaria = Ignatos], direct descendant of the proud [Red Flame Dragon Emperor Doragon)], according to the contract with [The God of Rebirth] I defend [Flames of Fire Dragon Mountain]."

The voice of the Dragon Empress was shockingly beautiful.

It was produced at an extraordinary volume and surprisingly said with a hint of affection, lightly shaking the surroundings.

Aporou was confused because he had expected the empress to be furious after the death of the Crimson Dragon Emperor.

"Before we fight, I'd like to thank you."

"Why? I have killed your husband".

The empress bowed her head slightly, and the surprising action puzzled Aporou once again. However, it didn't seem to be a threatening gesture.

"I do not care so much about that. You are the first person to have reached this far. Thousands of challengers have attempted to do so, but none apart from you succeeded. So I thank you for succeeding, and finally bringing a change to my never-ending stagnation in this place".

After ending her speech, the fiery Dragon Empress opened her mouth wide. Inside her mouth, which was strewn with huge fangs, an incredible amount of magical power began

to accumulate and compress. Under the compression, the mana began to distort space, and the air took on a unreal and strange appearance.

Looking at this, chills ran through Aporou's body.

He had a premonition of certain death.

If he did not move instantly, he would die.

And even if he did try to escape, his death was still extremely likely.

Using [Sense Area], he grasped the unimaginable scale of the attack. Even if he used [Emergency Escape], he could still not avoid the range of the attack.

Thus, Aporou realised that an unavoidable, fatal attack was about to be released right at him.

"To start ..."

"Kaa ....."

Instantly, Aporou leapt into action, setting up his defense while the Dragon Empress prepared to attack.

Using [All Creation], he created countless layers of vacuums by influencing gravity. It acted almost like a black hole.

The power of the field was enough to distort light, and slightly attract any organisms towards it. If an organism was to get too close to it, they would be ripped to shreds.

Aporou had to resort to using such a formidable attack as part of his defense. With its help, he was also able to attract a huge mass of metal which was floating in the lava beyond the final stage. The size of it was huge, easily weighing several hundred tons.

However, it would just float around if it wasn't held in place. Using the ability of his red spears, he replicated several hundred copies and forcibly secured the lump of metal onto the final stage.

Although some of the metal's ability to resist attack fell due to being drilled into by the spears, it was nonetheless quite indestructible to many strong attacks.

The remaining spears also formed a shield wall in front of Aporou.

The size and layers of his present defense were more than enough to prevent the attack of any enemy he had encountered previously. A normal attack would not even leave a scratch.

However, he still had a bad feeling that it wasn't going to be enough.

He turned his silver hand into a semi-circular shield to protect himself from the front, and equipped his armor which had the added attribute of the [Red Bear Beast King's Prestige]. As a result, his fire resistance increased drastically.

For extra measure, he enhanced his body with the [Black Demon Laminated Dragon Scale Armor]. This also led to a boost in his current armor and it started to cover him in a black aura due to the [Black Undead Knight's Cloth].

To increase the defense of his silver arm he activated the profession [Shielder] and [Shield Wall] [Lesser Physical and Magical Damage Reduction], which also resisted against magical attacks.

He then sacrificed most of his mobility for added defense through [Endurance]. The effect would activate for a short time while he defended. However, it would switch back after the Dragon Empress' attack, allowing him to go on the offense.

Even with all of this, Aporou did not think his defense was perfect. However, it was the best he could do in the short time period before the Dragon Empress' attack.

The Empress released her blistering attack, the [Breathing Flame End], which could not be controlled upon release as it was too powerful.

The entire arena exploded with a storm of white flames, reaching Aporou instantly. "....."

The resulting impact battered Aporou, and he struggled to maintain his balance. His teeth began to crack, but he paid no attention to them.

The lightning fast attack was so incredibly hot that it evaporated everything it touched.

The dense layer of vacuums managed to take away some of its momentum, but the sheer force of the attack pushed it through.

The huge mass of metal held for 10 seconds before it too was consumed.

Amazingly, the heat surpassed the absorption limit of the metal, and it began to distort in shape.

This caused a small gap in the mass of metal. The small hole was enough for the flames to burst through, and consume the metal from the inside out.

Aporou's barrier of spears also met the same fate.

Having smashed through his first three layers of defense with only a small loss in power, the flames reached Aporou's silver shield. Such an item was nigh indestructible, and yet the flames still surpassed the amount of heat it could absorb.

Even though the Empress was a servant of the divine, she could not completely destroy the silver hand. While it did not disintegrate, it was warped terribly out of shape, not managing to stop the attack either.

The white flame then reached the black aura that covered his armor.

Although his armor had been reinforced with a plethora of abilities and it provided some resistance, it couldn't suppress the attack completely.

The aura scattered, and then the armor began to melt. The flames met the ability-enhanced skin of Aporou.

Although he had always imbued his skin with large amounts of abilities, it still wasn't enough, and the flames finally overcame his last layer of defense.

The strong smell of burning flesh permeated the air.

The flames had been reduced to a fraction of their original power by the combined might of his defense, but even so Aporou was left barely hanging on to his life.

Somehow managing to make one last effort, he activated [Hyper Speed Regeneration].

And so began the endless process of destruction and regeneration. He knew that if he lost focus for even one second then he was dead.

The flames brutally attacked both his body and his mind, and he almost didn't manage to pull through.

Luckily for him, everything had a beginning and an end.

"... Uuoooaaaaa!!”

The roar from Aporou could finally be heard as the effects of the attack wore off.

Flames that could have easily melted a kingdom were eventually reduced to a more bearable heat. The direct attack was over after Aporou managed to outlast the deadly flames. He managed to survive, just barely.

Afterwards, he collapsed onto one knee. His breathing was ragged and heavy, and his shoulders shook badly. His body smelt of burnt meat.

"Ooooh! I'm glad you managed to survive that! That was excellent!".

[Breathing Flame End] had melted most of the surface of the final stage and lava filled the surroundings. Breaking through the surroundings walls, it had reached the very [Border Circle].

Without the outer circle, the attack would have definitely left a scar on the face of the huge continent.

An attack like that would have traveled for days. All that came before it would have been vaporized. It would have left a lifeless desert of molten earth in its wake.

The Dragon Empress was awfully glad that Aporou had survived her attack.

"After being here forever, I even forgot how to hold back. Who would have thought an apostle lord would be able to suffer my attack and only collapse!! Although you carry the patronage of the great god."

"You can be proud of yourself, you can truly be proud of yourself! The one who took a direct hit from my breath and lived. From now on you will be known through legend!"

"As expected from the past tests, as expected from the chosen one of the supreme god."

The fiery Dragon Empress, having a lot of abilities, easily recognized the hidden divine favors in Aporou.

Before, no one had been able to ascertain Aporou's divine blessings.

Hearing this, Aporou thought it would become necessary to block the leakage of information in the future.

Just at this moment, Aporou replied to the fiery Dragon Empress.

"As expected, it was hard."

While he survived, the damage done to Aporou was not insignificant.

His armor, having suffered serious damage, was 70% destroyed and his body suffered from severe burns. Some parts of his body had become charred meat.

The living body armor may have survived, but the silver hand which took most of the damage was severely warped out of shape.

Aporou had made a priority of protecting the head and not the body. Inevitably, this resulted in his body not fully being protected by the living armor and the damage in those regions was very severe. In particular, everything below the elbow in his right arm was missing and the rest was charred to the bone.

Even with the incorporation of [Severe Pain Resistance], the pain violently attacked his body and brain.

Even after receiving such damage, Aporou restored his body with incredible speed and further reinforced his body.

Under the influence of [Elixir of Blood] and [Hyper Speed Regeneration], the burnt skin was restored and replaced with a new layer.

Nonetheless, the restoration of his lost right hand was difficult. He had to salvage an arm by taking out the meat of the Dragon Emperor from his item box, and absorb it with [Infused Liquid Restoration].

[Ultra-recovery] and further modifications enabled Aporou to enhance his physical state once again.

Several times stronger than before, Aporou pointed the cursed spear and red spear towards the fiery Dragon Empress.

Even after such an overwhelming attack, there was no despair in the eyes of Aporou.

In fact, they were filled with even more determination, focused on the fiery Dragon Empress.

"Oh, you're able to move already! I thought I would have to wait until you had recovered, but this is even better!"

"I really needed a battle like this to dispel the boredom I have felt for so many years".

Having said that, [Ardour Mother Empress Dragon] finally came out of her cave and stepped onto the final arena in her entirety.

This time, she attacked with one of her hands, which were located on her four dragon wings.

A huge hand with wide range and enhanced with long claws attacked extremely quickly despite its large size.

The impact was like a collision with a large truck at full speed. Aporou crossed the red and cursed spears to protect himself.

The blow was extremely fast and made a screeching sound upon contact with the spears, creating a bunch of dazzling sparks.

Aporou had superbly parried the lightning fast claws with his two spears.

To fend off such an attack without using combat techniques was an unheard level of skill for ordinary people.

"Oo! Even that attack was easy to fend off for you! What frightening skills you possess."

In the wake of the first strike, a second hand came swinging at him from the Dragon Empress.

It was much stronger and faster than the previous one, but it was also easily parried. Without a pause, it was followed by three, then four, then five attacks, merging into a continuous series of strokes.

Screeching noises were heard and sparks were scattered each time the opponents clashed, the impacts carving out pieces in the final arena.

"Guuu!"

Even Aporou was surprised that he was able to fend off this dance of fatal blows.

The Dragon Empress was 75 times larger than Aporou.

Even if it was easy to parry every attack, each blow could be fatal to the mosquito-like Aporou.

"Even at this level, you still avoid being harmed by my attacks? You still resist?" The final arena was painted several times by blood under this barrage of attacks, but Aporou was still alive.

That was because he had used a lot of abilities at the right times, and his reflexes had sharpened through the long time spent training in combat techniques.

As a result, he had no wasted movements and his attacks looked like a beautiful dance.

But even for Aporou, the Dragon Empress' constant attacks prevented any counterattack.

No victory could be attained only by parrying.

To win, going on the offensive was absolutely necessary, especially as precious time was slipping away.

"Even with this damaged body, you are trying so bravely. It is a very magnificent spectacle ... And what kind of attack will be enough to break you, really ..."

"My next move will be interesting, how will you deal with it?" [Sizzling Meteorite]

The Flame Dragon Empress raised her hands to the top of her wings, and with the help of her huge magical power, used a type of magic known only to Dragons.

She summoned a flaming meteor 65 meters in diameter which came crashing down on the final stage.

Coming under such an attack, even Aporou would be crushed. The attack, unlike the claws, came from the top and was much bigger, which made parrying impossible.

In order to get out of this dire situation, Aporou decided to use one of his hidden trump cards.

Ogre Orb Liberation

The mixture of black, red and golden colored Ogre Orbs embedded in his breast and on both elbows and knees simultaneously melted.

The substance completely enveloped Aporou's body.

The huge fiery meteorite was called forbidden magic [Dragon Magic: Sizzling Meteorite] and had the power to destroy a small country. It approached from the sky at a high speed and was aimed directly at Aporou.

Its majestic appearance looked like a sun was falling on the arena and it raised the temperature of the final stage even higher.

The Empress retreated to avoid the direct impact, and the meteorite crashed onto the final stage without any interference.

After that, everything was consumed by a sea of flames. The earth quaked from the titanic blow and the walls shook so hard that they began to crumble.

First there was a bright flash. It was not the type of flash that would blind you, but the type that incinerated everything.

Then, the sound wave came, louder than the roar of the dragon. The physical destruction was like the sound had the force of a hammer.

A moment later came the shock wave. Any living thing within the radius of impact would have turned to mush upon contact as it spread outwards in the final stage. Obliterating fragments scattered everywhere at high speed.

The destruction caused by the meteorite covered the entire arena. "Hmm. I overdid it a little again?"

The incredibly strong final arena had been partially destroyed by only one of the Dragon Empress' magic attacks.

The Empress had survived the destruction of the meteorite due to her dragon scales. The Flame Dragon Empress, who was bathed in flame, carefully looked around the arena.

But as a result of the impact, the area was still covered with flames and debris, and it was not surprising that she could not find her target.

However, that was unavoidable.

The area where Aporou had been standing had been destroyed, and torrents of lava and debris filled the spot. Rising plumes of smoke caused a thick fog which enveloped the arena.

It might have been different if there had been any sort of movement from him, but in this situation, even the dragon's eyes could not find him.

"Umm. I think he failed."

"As expected, it was too much. I should have at least found out his name."

After not finding Aporou or feeling more of his presence, the Flame Dragon Empress thought he was dead.

It could be felt that her face expressed disappointment, because although a dragon's emotions are rather difficult to understand, it was easy to judge by the tone of the voice.

After waiting a long, long time, she finally met the creature she had wanted to fight, and now regretted using such an overwhelming spell.

Suddenly, she noticed a shadow moving in the corner of her field of vision.

"Umm, that's ..."

Turning her head, a cold shiver ran through the body of the Flame Dragon Empress.

It was a very uncomfortable feeling, like having ice travel down your spine.

Before the Flame Dragon Empress could understand what was happening, her instincts kicked in, forcing her to evade the deadly attack.

She quickly crouched, flattening her body to the battle field. She was still about the size of a house, but these actions saved her.

"Adddhhh!"

Since she had become a dungeon boss, this was the first time she had felt such pain.

It was felt as if her whole back was violently burning.

Aporou had originally gone for a fatal wound to the neck, but instead her wing-arms were completely ripped apart.

"What is it?"

From the stumps, a huge amount of blood exploded outwards.

The blood vessels in the Dragon Empress were extremely thick. Her heart circulated blood with a very strong beat, and constantly sent out enormous volumes of blood.

As a result of the thick artery being severed, there was a large fountain of blood, irrigating the entire battlefield like rain.

This rain of potent blood would cause instant death if not evaporated immediately.

However, there was one more creature in addition to the Dragon Empress who was bathed in the blood.

"Ohhh, how delicious!"

Completely, covered with blood that he enjoyed as if it were expensive wine, the creature licked off chunks of meat which were left on the red spear.

Fallen into a trance, as if it have caught a great ingredient was none other than Aporou.

However, Aporou now looked significantly different from how he had looked earlier.

"Fuwa Fu wa wa wa wa wa!

"It's serious! Great, just great! This overwhelming aura, this arrogance!"

"As expected from the chosen one of the [Great God], who so admirably managed to get to here!"

Aporou, who was staring at the Flame Dragon Empress, stood on a fairly large fragment of the final stage.

And all of his body except for the silver hand was covered with the gold, black and red suit, the color of his Ogre Orb.

Unlike other armors and exoskeletons, this gold and black suit tightly hugged his body, and was similar to the ones he had worn in his previous life.

But unlike those, which were made of elastic materials, this one had the hidden ability to freely transform.

Constantly changing, the suit grew another pair of hands the same color as the suit and he became the four-handed demon.

He had transformed as a result of the activation of the Ogre Orbs, whose properties were different for each individual.

For example, a Fire Lord would have received a flaming great sword, and a Wind Lord would have received emerald armor. That is, each Lord would receive his own individual style of combat methods upon activation.

In the case of Aporou, he had received the whole body armor. All at once, it was a weapon with an infinite number of variations and forms.

Aporou had finished eating the chunks of meat left on his weapons. Rather than being held by him, they were now attached to his forearms.

As a result, his main arms were free to attack through the hydraulic punch, made through the Ogre Orbs.

You would expect that his spears would get in the way of his fighting, but instead they shot out at high speeds with greater attack power and destruction than could be attained by fighting by hand.

Even if it was to be a problem, it wasn't worrying because he was Aporou.

"OOOooooooo!!!”

Equipped with his spears on both arms, Aporou roared using [Death Dealing Roar (Desperado)].

It was the voice of death, hunting out the life in living beings.

But in order to take the life of the Flame Dragon Empress, it was not strong enough. In fact, he was not even able to impose any negative status effects.

In terms of attack, it would have been a meaningless roar.

But having absorbed the blood of the Flame Dragon Empress and using the skill [Bloodsucking Vampire], Aporou had significantly increased his strength and now throbbed with a huge amount of energy.

After absorbing the shower of blood from the fiery Dragon Empress, he headed straight for her, accelerated by the ability of the [Black King's Mad Advance]. His lightning attack was faster than sound.

"Shaa!"

But the Flame Dragon Empress would not just stand there in silence, she was not that weak.

She struck with her right forearm using magical power.

It was a terrible blow, also exceeding the speed of sound.

The sharpness of her claws would easily be able to penetrate Aporou's defenses.

But Aporou narrowly avoided it by leaping with perfect timing. If he had sped up, or hesitated for even a second, he would have turned into a spray of blood.

But having avoided it, he flew forward without stopping.

At the same time, the armor on his feet transformed into a sharp knife, which carved out distinctive footprints.

He used the techniques of [Penetrating Physical Damage] and [Greater Strengthening of Penetrating Attacks] together, and collided with the Dragon Empress.

"Ooooooooo!"

From the feet to the knee, from the knee to the waist, from the waist to the back, from the back to the shoulders, he attacked every part of her body with the red spear, amplifying the damage at each site. He easily penetrated the Empress' dragon scales, slicing through the muscles and getting to the bone.

But there was still not enough in it. It was not strong enough to kill the Flame Dragon Empress.

Even if his body was heavily soaked in blood from [Bloodsucking Vampire] and his abilities increased from the Ogre Orbs, there was still a huge difference in size.

Even with the previous attack, where he was able to cut off the dragon's hand-wings, it was only due to the fact that the Empress had weakened her vigilance.

Her body contained a huge amount of magical energy, which made it possible to withstand the attack, and each attack would be immediately countered.

This is precisely why Aporou did the following.

Immediately synthesising a combination of abilities, he activated the [Renovate Tyrannical Power of the Black Demon] [Divine Destruction of the Black Demon].

After using it, there was a huge illusory hand which was capable of interacting with matter, raising Aporou's physical abilities to a completely different level.

"Oooooorraa!"

The illusory fist directly hit the stomach of the fiery dragon empress with an impact similar to a meteorite, with a huge shock wave. At the site of impact, a storm of lightning exploded outwards.

The blow that Aporou had just landed to her stomach was more than just terrible, it's strength was such that it was impossible to imagine.

This single attack by the relatively tiny Aporou was magnified in impact several times, with a size comparable to the mountain-sized Dragon Empress.

At the point of impact, dragon scales were broken or dented inwards, and the durable dragon armor easily broke apart.

The lightning burned countless wounds on her body, and blood gushed out from all of these.

With the blow exceeding even the Dragon's carapace in strength, bones broke with a thud, and ruptured some of the internal organs.

The powerful attack was so unexpected that the shocked fiery Dragon empress gasped for breath, and even so, the attack was still not over.

"What was that!!??"

A golden thread was attached to the body of the Dragon Empress.

Due to her collapsed posture and shock, she could not counterattack, and did not have time to concentrate on magical defense.

Using the golden thread released from his auxiliary arm, Aporou shot onto the shoulder of the fiery dragon empress, and this time attacked with his hydraulic punch.

It struck with amazing speed, around 10 times per second, and was well suited to the destruction of the thick armored enemies.

In addition, Aporou possessed the profession of [Master Spearman] and combat maneuver arts [Lotus Flower Spear]. His red spear and cursed spear radiated with a murderous aura of crimson.

[Aporou used combat maneuver arts [Lotus Flower Spears]]

The attack became stronger with [Continuous Thrust] and [100 Blossoms 1000 Spears], improving the power and speed of each blow.

As a result, [Continuous Thrust], [100 Blossoms 1000 Spears] and [Triple Stab] along with the hydraulic punch greatly increased the attack speed, attack power and attack range.

The dragon armor was drilled through as if it were paper.

The cursed spear and red spear penetrated the body of a fiery dragon empress like a spoon through pudding.

With his spears drilling deeper into her flesh, even the Dragon Empress probably felt some fear.

Her pain-filled roar echoed throughout the arena.

"Gaaaaaa!!"

At this point, because of the magical power in her body, her armor ignited in a quick burst.

The temperature of her burning armor was much hotter than the meteorite and the lava. Even Aporou was in danger, so he decided to quickly retreat before his body started to fry.

While doing so, he managed to gather the Empress' right hand which had been gouged out by his attacks.

They glared at each other across the battlefield.

Aporou ate the first-class meat of the fiery dragon empress whilst keeping an eye on the Empress.

Then the fear of the fiery Dragon Empress was replaced by rage and her whole body erupted in hot flames.

Her evil glance was brimming with magical power, and caused a distortion of the force field in between them.

"Fu fu wa wa wa wa wa wa."

"The frightening truth of such a dreadful creature. No chance that he can destroy this flesh so easily. However, his sufficient strength to obtain flesh and increase his force is what makes him less afraid."

The severed wing-hand as well as the chopped off right arm had already begun to recover.

First of all, the Empress had incredible regeneration. In addition to that, she had an ability higher than [Fire Resistance], higher than the [Complete Fire Resistance] and even higher than [Immunity to heat]. She had [Heat Absorption], which allowed her to absorb the surrounding heat of the lava, generating a huge amount of energy to accelerate her recovery.

This place was the perfect battleground for the Dragon Empress.

While the Empress could recover this way, Aporou could eat her severed leg, increasing his strength.

Together with the acquisition of this power, his ogre orbs also changed. These changes were more like full evolution, rather than improve.

And in less than a few tens of seconds, a full recovered Dragon Empress attacked just as Aporou finished eating.

In battle their forces were equal, with every single attack having the power of changing the local landscape.

This battle for life and death was such that is was like a myth descended from the pages of legends.

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The battle carried on until late, largely due to the fact that the fiery dragon empress just had incredible recovery and stamina.

Frankly, I did not think one single demon could win this battle.

But you should try the meat once...I almost went to heaven with delight.

When you consider that and take into account the pros and cons, the pros probably still outweigh the cons.

Soaked in her blood, I'm enlightened. It was unimaginably rich, and I can only compare it to the taste of first-class wine which has had long-term exposure.

Although to be honest, that was still not sufficient to describe the taste.

Just one bite and my fatigue is completely removed.

If you ask me of what it can be compared, it was too great to be compared with anything I had ever eaten before.

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The sun is probably already setting outside.

I can't confirm that though while in the spot of the decisive battle. Still, we somehow finished our fierce fight against the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress] which took almost an entire day.

Since I'm still alive, looks like I win this time.

Although I was able to win with my own power, to be honest, it's really hard to say if it could even be considered as a victory.

My battle with the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress] kept on going thanks to instantaneous recovery. Near the end, the 8 Demon Generals, which includes Kanami-chan, were in the vicinity and we performed a combined attack from the sky against the Dragon. As a result, they all 【Ranked Up】.

For the members who evolved, their powers weren't equal but it was enough to create a large gaping hole in the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress'] body.

Even though we killed her by chance, since I received quite the damage from her wrath and got severely weakened, it's hard to consider it as my victory.

Sadly, I couldn't subjugate the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress] by myself. I feel grateful however, since if I didn't have backup, the results might have become the opposite. I have no complaints.

No matter what, being alive means there's still hope. If I die, I wouldn't be able to enjoy my life to its fullest.

Even though there will be hardships, I think I'll just enjoy it slowly and carefully.

While thinking on the ground, I stare at the corpse of the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress]. It's quite difficult to even move one finger. With wounds all over my body and being only a step away from "Magic Power Deficiency", I'm like half-dead right now.

Ever since I reincarnated, I never fought something like the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress]. It was my first all-out battle. At that time, I used 【Self Replication】 to keep myself hidden and prepared 【Complete Restoration】 in case I instantly die from an attack. I even used my ogre orbs, using all abilities that I kept hidden as a trump card.

Even so, it was quite a dreadful story as I couldn't raise the odds any further. I would've been killed multiple times if it weren't for 【Complete Restoration】. I am grateful to the bottom of my heart for having such an insurance in hand.

Despite that,【Fervor Absorption】 wasn't enough to maintain my complete restoration ability. Also, the Heroes who died here before had turned into "Demi Dragonewts". Thinking about it, the capabilities of the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress] are quite terrifying.

It has been said that the 【God of Reincarnation】 that sometimes appears made this place impossible to capture.

It's a bit inconvenient that 【■ Beast's Domain Protection】 changed into 【Divine Beast's Domain Protection】 only now but since it made it easier to handle my abilities, this time, I should be able to fight much better with someone who has the same ability.

If possible though, I don't want to fight something like the [Mother Flame Dragon Empress] for a while. After defeating her with all my strength, I think that would be fine.

There's a lot of things to think about but since I could easily fall asleep like a log right now, it would be troublesome to hold on to those intentions.

Once I wake up and recover, I'll eat until my belly's full. While thinking of various things, I lose consciousness just as I catch sight of a crying Kanami-chan and the others approaching me ——

[Dungeon Boss [Adamaza Empress Dragon] has been successfully subjugated]

[Cleared the conditions for [Mountain Dragon's Blazing Flames] of the God's Lost Psalms, 【Defeating the Empress】 【Core Fusion】 【Feudal Lord Denial】 has been accomplished]

[All participants will be given the Special Skill 【One who subjugates Divine Beasts】]

[All participants will be given the Special Skill 【Dragon Flame's Principle】]

[As a bonus for being the first to subjugate, the treasure chest 【Corpse Treasure of the Empress】 will be given to all participants]

[As a privilege for conquering, the ban on the use of the Warp Gate is lifted]

[Please note that only those who conquered the dungeon can use the Warp Gate]

[For those who have Awakened the Psalms／The key figures of God's Lost Psalms, a part of the 【God of Reincarnation】's divine power will be granted]

[As the collector is an important figure of a Greater God, the quality of the Divine Power collected will be inferior]

[Portions of the Divine Power rejected by this rule will be turned into an object]

[Yatendouji has obtained 【God of Resurrection's Dragon Jewel - Ignatus Fuorna】 !!]

It seems like something appeared nearby.

A treasure chest or something similar had appeared. I couldn't confirm it though since I can't move my body.

［By clearing the release conditions 【Demigod's Dungeon Conquest】 and 【God's Dungeon Conquest】, Yatendouji's locked special skill 【■■■■】 will be released.］

［Yatendouji has obtained Special Skill 【Dungeon Plunder】!!］

［The effects of the Special Skill 【Dungeon Plunder】 allows complete mastery and ownership of the conquered dungeon.］

［Conforming to the conditions, it is possible to seize the ［Flames of Fire Dragon Mountain］.

［Will you do so?］

［≪YES≫ ≪NO≫］

Well. While thinking about it, I temporarily choose ≪YES≫.

［Special Ability 【Dungeon Plunder】 has been invoked.］

At this moment, control of the ［Flames of Fire Dragon Mountain］ will shift from the 【God of Reincarnation】 to Yatendouji］

［From now on, please manage the dungeon at your own discretion］

Oh? Isn't this nice? Is that all?

I try to think further but as it turns out, there's not much time left. Most of my consciousness has already been swallowed by darkness ——

[Level has exceeded the minimum value.]

[Because the special Conditions ≪Emperor Slaying≫ ≪Great Hero's Annexation≫ ≪Single Demon Annihilation≫ ≪Standard Border Transgression≫ ≪Great God's Declaration≫ ≪God's Verse Conquest≫ have been cleared, it is possible to 【Rank Up】 into 【Demon King of Destruction (Destruction King) – Transcended Species (Superior Species)】

【Rank Up】?

[≪YES≫ ≪NO≫]

Without any hesitation, I select ≪NO≫.

Even as an Apostle Lord, I already know that I am capable of fighting against the likes of the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress]. Abilities would be harder to learn as well, something that I want to avoid.

Therefore, I selected ≪NO≫ in regards to becoming a 【Demon King of Destruction – Superior Species】.

[≪NO≫ was selected]

[Other choices will be displayed.]

[Because the Special Conditions ≪Emperor Slaying≫ ≪Army Corps Unification≫ ≪Dominion Construction≫ ≪Standard Border Transgression≫ ≪Great God's

Declaration≫ ≪God's Verse Conquest≫ have been cleared, it is possible to 【Rank Up】 into 【Demon Emperor of Conquest – Superior Species】

【Rank Up】?

[≪YES≫ ≪NO≫]

There are other choices?! No. Thinking about it, since it's a choice, it's only reasonable that there would be other options available!

I unintentionally retort.

I select ≪NO≫ again. Since I don't have any reason to become a Demon Emperor, I reject the idea of turning into one.

[≪NO≫ was selected]

[Other choices will be displayed.]

[Because the Special Conditions ≪Emperor Slaying≫ ≪Emperor Factor≫ ≪Greater God's Involvement≫ ≪Conformity with a God's Cause≫ ≪■■■■≫ ≪■■■■≫ ≪■■■■≫ ≪■■■■≫ have been cleared, it is possible to 【Rank Up】 into 【Vajrayaksa Overlord – Living God Species (Vizra Species)】

【Rank Up】?

≪YES≫ ≪NO≫

Eh? What's this? I didn't think that the Demon King and Demon Emperor were good ideas but for Overlord to suddenly appear, I can't help but think about it.

If I were to follow 【Intuition】, it would be ≪YES≫. But, when I think about abilities, it would be a ≪NO≫.

Troubling. This is quite troublesome and worrying about it is also troublesome as I'm already sleepy.

This time, I decide to follow 【Intuition】.

I choose ≪YES≫ then fall asleep from exhaustion.

[Yatendouji's Special Skill 【Dungeon Plunder】 will change according to the condition 【Living God Rank】.

[Yatendouji has obtained 【Dungeon Plunder – Howls of the Underworld】!!]

[As Yatendouji has achieved 【Living God Rank】, 【Formal Wife of the ■ Demon】 and 【Consort of the ■ Demon】 will be changed to 【Formal Wife of the Overlord】 and 【Consort of the Overlord】 respectively.]

[The titles 【Formal Wife of the Overlord】 and 【Consort of the Overlord】 will be granted favor in normalcy]

[By clearing the release condition 【Living God Rank】, Yatendouji's locked special skill 【■■■■】 will be released]

[Yatendouji has obtained special skill 【World Enemy – The Gluttony】!!]

Day 246-249

After the fight and ranking up into a Vajrayaksa Overlord, Rou spent the next 4 days asleep. He awakens on Day 250.

Day 250

It feels like I've been dreaming for a long time. I'm very sure that it was a dream of me fighting… or I think it was a nostalgic meeting with someone.

I might have heard some important things but I can't recall the details. Well, it's a dream anyway. It can't be helped to forget the details when waking up. For now, I'll stop thinking about it and focus on my current state.

Upon waking up, the first thing I see is something quite strange, tinted with a mix of black, red, gold, and silver. It looks just like metal. From touch, it's quite warm and elastic. It's like I'm inside a body of sorts. However, rather than being unpleasant, it's actually quite comfortable.

I am completely wrapped by something similar to an eggshell. From what little I remember, looks like it formed around me. Anyway, it's my Ogre Orb. Also, looks like some long thin threads where extending from my body.

It might be a bit late for me to realize but since silver was mixed in with black, red, and gold, I am pretty sure that my Ogre Orb had also changed when I ranked up.

Though it's fine, I still wonder why the color had suddenly changed. Perhaps, before I slept, after having suffered grievous wounds throughout my body and in order to heal and keep myself safe, I made it unconsciously.

Whether that's true or not though isn't obvious. Well, it's a trivial manner. Since I'm still alive, I won't question it.

After a quick check, my body seems fine so I decide to quickly get out. Upon getting out of the shell formed from my Ogre Orb, I appear once more around the place where the decisive battle took place. Not much had changed since I went to sleep.

The first thing I notice is the corpse of the [Mother Flame Dragon Empress]. It seems to be covered in ice made out of powerful magic.

The magical ice is very thick and it'll be difficult to melt and shatter it. For a moment, I think about who could form such a thing but quickly understand that the ice closely resembles Kanami-chan's magic.

Definitely her. She took the trouble in preserving the corpse of the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress] with ice until I wake up. She's still a considerate wife as always.

After thanking her consideration, I start paying attention to the lava rising around the decisive battlefield. It is still emitting extreme heat like before but the lava appears to have cooled down, having turned to black. I wonder if it's because of the powerful magical ice that is currently located in the middle, or maybe it's because I became the owner of this place. Still, the lava seems to have lost its vigor.

Although it's still quite hot, its cooler at least compared to before. Thanks to my 【Rank Up】, even if my body is exposed right now, it will take time for me to turn black from the heat. Well, my skin's already black anyway.

After confirming my surroundings, I start checking out my body. While I feel a little bit taller than my original height of two meters, the broadness of my arms and legs has not changed that much.

However, my whole body feels so powerful that it can't even be compared to before. The difference is like between heaven and earth.

As a test, I lightly swing my fist, creating countless gales which strike the wall of rocks in the distance like thunder, shattering and scattering pieces of rocks around. This time, I slowly raise my foot and just like before, violent winds appear and strike the wall once more in the distance, leaving scars similar to the aftermath of a bombing run.

I'd like to say that both were just weak attacks but they had considerable destructive power. Without even using any abilities, doesn't this mean that most monster won't even be considered a match against me? Still, if I have this much while not being serious, I'm a bit anxious in just how much strength will be displayed if I go all out.

I'd first need to learn how to control my strength for my everyday life. Also, it feels like various abilities also improved greatly in order to keep up with the physical strength I got from [Rank Up].

Since I'm a bit hungry, I try to create a [Black Taurus Demon] using 【Summon Archfiend】. It looks like the summoning time has been substantially shortened. Also, not only is the amount of magic consumed easy to recover in an instant, the equipment and ability of the summoned being has also been enhanced.

Even though I haven't tried out the other 【Summon】 abilities yet, I feel like they are now easier to use thanks to my current condition.

While thinking how pleasant it is, I continue eating the [Black Taurus Demon] energetically. I then check and try to trace my finger on the golden tattoos covering my whole body.

The tattoos have changed a bit. Why it changed somewhat interests me so I sort of try to feel it out. It looks like the patterns have various effects when utilized such as increasing my offensive power.

I'd like to investigate later but for now, I'll examine other things. Originally, I had three horns but now, it had increased into five sharp and thicker horns. They have sharp edges and are slightly curved, extending as if they were trying to pierce the sky. It looks almost like a crown.

As an Apostle Lord, my hair was silver gray in color but now, it is silver white. Since the length's still the same which is up to my waist, I bundle it all into a pony tail and tie it with my golden thread.

My red eyes had changed into golden eyes but other than that, not much else has changed. I think it's a waste to change too much so I'm fine with just this.

Surprisingly though, I now have four arms. The two new arms were located near the shoulder, just below the armpit. I can move them without any problems. They were a bit longer than my original arms but thanks to that, it is unlikely that the two new arms would interfere with my original pair.

Before, my left arm was the only silver arm but looks like it had expanded as well. Not only to my right arm but also to my two new arms.

Namely, right now, all four of my arms had turned into silver arms. Moreover, it looks like silver arms have been strengthened compared to before along with the help of the 【Fury of the Haughty King (Beowulf)】 which is currently equipped in my right arm.

It looks like the 【Fury of the Haughty King (Beowulf)】 cannot be equipped at the same time as the exoskeleton. I thought it got destroyed when my right arm along with the armor got incinerated by the fire breath of the [Mother Flame Dragon Empress], but looks like my worry was for naught.

Even though I became an Overlord, I apparently still have Ogre Orbs. The orbs have a unique hue of black, red, gold, and silver which is the most prominent color.

There is an orb in the center of my chest, in my four elbows and four hands, both knees, in my navel, and in both sides of my shoulder.

In other words, there are 14 Ogre Orbs in total. This is far more than the original 5 I had previously. I wonder what will happen if I use all of the orbs at once.

Even just one orb is already powerful. Now being a Vajrayaksa Overlord, I wonder if I could even face an enemy that would force me to use them.

Next, I take notice of the fact that I am currently wearing some sort of personal armor. In addition to my former pants, there is a clothing similar to the mantle found in Hagoromo plays.

It's quite comfortable and it resembles the design of a kimono with a black color, decorated with gold and silver. I personally like it.

It's quite light, enough that I can't feel the weight so it wouldn't interfere with my movements. I try stretching it as much as I can yet there are no signs of tearing, making it a very reliable armor. Checking myself more though would just be troublesome.

While thinking if there are any more changes to my body, I hear someone from behind me. Turning to my back, I see Kanami-chan who is out of breath.

While I wasn't sure at first, I believe she teleported here based on the warp gate emitting a pale blue light at her feet. She probably sensed that I was awake and quickly went here without a delay. After 【Rank Up】, it looks like Kanami-chan has become even more beautiful.

Her peerless skin is just as pure as maiden snow. Her beautiful hair has no split ends. The movements of her slender and flexible limbs are refined and full of grace. Her narrow waist looks nice and easy to hold. Her breasts are neither too big nor too small, are appropriately shaped, and looks very soft. Her fascinating cherry lips would make anyone throb from just staring.

But the most outstanding part of Kanami-chan is her exotic presence which rules the surroundings. No matter which gender, one can't help but admire her. To see Kanami-chan in tears, slightly shaking and covering her lips with both hands, I must say she looks quite lovely.

Even though I'm admiring her unintentionally, it's not a joke. After falling in love once again, Kanami-chan runs straight towards me.

Her terrific speed is slightly faster than the speed of sound. Like the impact of a cannonball and casually creating a shockwave, she embraces me as I open my 4 silver arms and hold her firmly in return. Such an aggressive embraces would've blown away a person but for me, I remain immobile as I received it.

Rather, I was quite afraid of accidentally hurting Kanami-chan as I stopped and held her. However, it looks like my worry was for naught.

Unless I hug her seriously, the current Kanami-chan should be able to put up with it for a bit.

Embracing her closely, my nose is getting tickled by Kanami-chan's fragrant scent. My lust is being stimulated right now. However, since she is complaining to me while crying, I can't follow my desire.

She keeps on repeatedly hitting me in the chest with all her strength, creating sounds similar to a carpet bombing. As my punishment for making her worry, I just accept it. I weave words while comforting her at the same time. I think she might be pouting a little bit right now.

Looks like I made her seriously worried. After all, several days had passed since the fight with the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress]. At that time, she saw me in my half-dead state and with my body in tatters. Since I got wrapped up in a shell in order to recover, she could not confirm my current state.

In other words, Kanami-chan's worry had piled up until this moment, where it had all erupted. So, rather than meeting everyone right now, I instead create a cover made out of the [Skeleton Centipedes] to prevent any hindrances or observations of us.

Rushing inside, we perform a night battle. Since I got permission, it was inevitable. Looks like Kanami-chan really wants a child.

Day 251

Last night, various things happened and I indulged one of my three primary desires to my heart's content.

If not for the help of my comrades and my [Self Replication] ability, the successive tough battles with field bosses followed by the death match with the [Mother Flame [Dragon Empress]] could have easily gotten me killed. In the process I accumulated a huge amount of stress, but after that relaxing night I feel a lot better.

That said, we are in the center of a volcanic caldera so wishing for a pleasant and refreshing morning was hopeless.

The area was quite humid, so after last nights exertions we awoke sticky with sweat -- not a pleasant way to start the morning.

I idly thought that it would be so much better if we were surrounded by hot springs instead of lava.

If this place were a hot spring, I would first wash myself clean, then slowly soak in its relaxing waters.

After submerging as far as my waist, I would bask in the sensation of my fatigue dissolving away as the water gently warmed and relaxed me.

Then I would slowly submerge myself up to the shoulders and enjoy a good soak while drinking something alcoholic.

I wondered at that moment, "What would be the perfect drink for this situation?"

That pride of the Kuuderun Great Forest, well aged elven wine, perhaps?

Alternatively, alcohol dropped from special dungeon monsters might also be a good choice, as I have plenty of several varieties on hand.

Or even, the [Named Sake [Endless Drops of Evening Cherry Blossoms]] or [Named Demon Sake [Inexhaustible Demonic Drunken Rampage]] that I received by completing the Psalms might possibly be appropriate.

After imagining all that, I suddenly miss taking it easy at our own hot springs back in Kuuderun Great Forest.

After a tiring day, fatigue can easily be removed in beautiful hot springs while drinking sake.

Remembering that, I could not hold back the nostalgia. Probably something akin to homesickness.

Well, nothing can be done about it. I have the feeling that I was somewhat overworked, and will need to take a longer vacation. I need to put my worries to rest, and the Kuuderun Great Forest is the best place for vacation.

Though, in the vicinity of the great forest, there is still much work to do.

Ah, it will be necessary to bring my kids.

Well, I leave the fulfillment of that desire to the near future.

Waking up in the morning, I immediately started to determine the possibilities of my body.

After the [Rank-up] yesterday I found out almost everything, and as a result the time spent with Kanami was more of an application process.

Although the body is altered, it is still my own, and not someone or something foreign. Once I start to move it will be easy to get used to. So I can still live a normal life.

But I will not say that I've mastered it perfectly, and there's little hope of that since it's not a perfectly stable body.

So to deal with this, I was doing a few simple physical exercises.

By doing so, as expected, controlling the movement of my new set of arms was hard.

Not that there were any wrong feelings. I could manage them just as easily as breathing.

But in comparison to a battle with two hands, having four hands changed even the simplest motion, such as a punch. Not only does the application of force differ, but the ways of distributing the upper body weight, how to use the muscles, the reach of each arm, and even the location of the nerves and blood flow, everything has undergone enormous change.

Because of all this I was a bit confused. Although I've used a similarly structured power suit before, my sense of operating this odd body design was quite disheveled. Therefore, it is necessary I get used to it in a short period of time.

If I did not capitalize on this experience, I would surely struggle later. Of course, even my combat skills and techniques using the new body need to be fit; there is still a lot to improve. But right now my goal is to learn to control this body, respectively my own desires. The rest I can work out later in sparring with Minokichi.

Thirty minutes after starting, thanks to my efforts, I have learned how to move so my body's actions no longer cause storm winds. So, even if I move fast during battles, I won't cause undue damage to the environment.

If there are no surprises among the hapless viewers they will not become victims.

If something were to happen, then nothing can be done about it, but there's no need to cause unnecessary problems.

While I was testing the movement of this new body, Kanami woke up.

Her face while half-asleep is incredibly cute.

After the [Rank-up], Kanami became a [Ice Demonic Blood Ancestor (superior species)].

This not only marked the beginning of the race of the vampires as well as being very close to the [First Vampire], while overlooking [Demonic Ancestors] saying that in the management of blood and ice close in force there are no other races that can compare.

According to the collected information, from my clones, in ancient times, those who lived in the cold destroyed many different countries, [Ice Dragon King], single-handedly fought the [Ice Demon Blood Ancestor] after the three-day battle all they left behind was destruction that greatly affected the landscape of the earth.

As a result, the very long body of the [Dragon King] was divided into 6 parts, and the whole Gulf area absorbed lots of the dragon's blood, which eventually evolved into the [Icy Valley of Blood].

This place still exists, but it is quite far away, so we should eventually set out to explore it.

By the way [Demonic Ancestor] has the power not inferior to the [Emperor]. At the same time, being [a superior being], it becomes the default level for stronger creatures like the [Emperor]. Given that it has a few [Divine Blessings] is not in doubt.

The ruler of a demonic empire [Demonic Emperor], the [King of Beasts] of the animal kingdom, as well as the existing level of [Legendary Hero] characters possessing [Psalms], one on one, even when fighting at full strength, certainly lose to the present Kanami.

From a biological point of view, Kanami became incomparably stronger compared to a normal evolution.

This Kanami, while not yet fully awake, lightly scattered around the peculiar [Ice Blood Demonic Ancestor], and the magical power [Charm].

Like a fountain of life, its magical power [Charm], attracts all living beings within range.

Anticipating how I would enjoy their flesh, I unknowingly swallowed.

Her every movement fascinated the eyes, and even while knowing why, it was still impossible to glance away. Anyone, regardless of gender, when they see her, will undoubtedly try to attack (and will immediately be sliced).

Yet Kanami is most charming when left alone.

To recharge one's forces for the day, it is important to have a good breakfast.

And the ingredients I decided to use are the meat of the [Dragon Emperor] and [Dragon Empress]. Well, of course not entirely, but only the smallest part of their huge bodies.

Normally, it would be worth it to wait until everyone is ready, and only afterward enjoy the meal together. But unfortunately the rest of the team was not here. Once I fell asleep, they went and decided to take a day off, so other than Kanami, there was no one else nearby.

Using as a base the "Labyrinth Business Company [Snake Heart]" (a subsidiary of the mercenary corp Parabellum), the wounded were treated in the adventurer-filled Labyrinth City [Rada Ro Dara]. Afterwards, they separated according to their hobbies; enjoying shopping at extremely attractive prices, climbing unexplored destinations in search of yet undiscovered ore veins, and collecting valuable information about bosses and dungeons in crowded places.

For such reasons, Kanami and I will taste it first.

Of course, I wanted to tell them to "work hard", but once it happened, there was nothing I could do.

In addition, in order to learn about how best to prepare this ingredient it would probably be even better to try it first myself.

Truly a perfect excuse.

Well, under the guise of my stupid, selfish motives, sitting in front of a mountain of delicious meat, of course I could not endure.

Especially after [Rank-up], or upon receipt of the [World Enemy [Insatiable Gluttony]], either way my stomach now empties much faster.

From seeing this hunk of meat, my stomach growled fiercely and saliva flowed from my mouth.

Intrinsically, in order to heal, my body depletes the devoured energy rather than fill my belly.

To endure this hunger is, as expected, impossible even for me.

Yet, such instincts are to my benefit, and so I will not fight against them.

Only, one thing gnawed at my thoughts; "will I be called greedy?" I suppose I'm ready.

Asking Kanami to melt the ice around the body of the Empress of Flame Dragons, I began to cut the dragon meat.

It is of course obvious, but the dragon meat is incredibly strong. The Mithril knife made by gnomes, even with its excellent sharpness, will hardly cut it, and even if I put a little more pressure on it, the knife will immediately break.

Thanks to the strengthening magic supporting its huge body, each individual muscle fiber has tremendous tenacity, much superior to other living beings.

To prepare its meat, not only did you need an exceptionally sharp knife, able to cope with one's strength, but you need to have excellent chef skills and a deep knowledge of dragon meat.

Killing it of course isn't easy, but it's also very difficult to prepare. The [Dragon Empress] is such a complex ingredient.

Though I've been kept waiting, this is exactly as I'd hoped.

I'll give a piece of meat to the Sisters and ask them to cook.

Turning my hands into silver knives, I continued cutting the dragon into pieces.

As a result, I got a mountain of meat around 3000 kilograms.

And it was only a tiny part of the whole body.

As expected, cooking it like that does not work, so I chopped it smaller, and the 3-ton mountain became 60 smaller pieces.

All the same, the pieces were quite hefty, to the extent they looked even better.

So as I began cooking, I examined the results.

Even after spending a few days in a frozen block of ice magic, the meat still had a fresh, luscious, vital force, like jewels.

But no gem's shine is superior to dragon's meat.

Time would stop when viewing its luster; any foodie would give all he had, if only to sample the succulent meat.

Even I, if I had not been able to get this with my own hands, would've easily parted with any amount money, just for the sake of a piece of it.

I put this magnificent meat on a big pan, using the natural environment to cook it.

The temperature of the pan was unusually high. Average meat would immediately burn and char, but dragon meat is warmed slowly.

The reason is that red dragons have an incredible resistance to heat.

First off, to cook the meat somewhere besides here would be incredibly difficult, since conventional logs are clearly not enough to create a hot enough flame.

Most likely you'd have to build some kind device for this task.

Unfortunately, to slow roast it thoroughly will still take much time and effort.

I'd heard that when cooking of meat and fish, sometimes it's better to cook on low heat so it retains more meaty juices.

Whether this is true, I'm not sure, but this attempt is likely to be convincing. Even if it doesn't work, I cannot imagine that the dragon meat will be disgusting (luckily, though briefly, I managed to try a raw piece during the battle).

We just kept it roasting over a slow fire.

Yet roasting dragon meat, feeling the delicious smell, you need to have incredible endurance to see it cooked thoroughly.

I somehow restrained myself initially, but after a while, one of my hands unconsciously reached for the meat - at the last moment I stopped myself, but after a while it happened again with the other hand. I didn't try to keep count after 10 attempts.

In the process of cooking, I truly realized the danger of this meat. Dependence on it will be more dangerous than the harm from any magical poison, its pull on one's cravings is just too much.

Trying to hold back, I even closed my eyes. But the effect was the opposite. The smell of meat awakens my instincts even more, and the hiss of meat juice excites my imagination.

I reflexively swallowed.

This meat without a doubt will be the most delicious I've ever eaten.

But I'm still going to roast the meat to the very end, in the magic pan, then serve with white rice on a large plate, the latter of which came from outside the dungeon.

By doing so, the dish began to look even tastier; my saliva is overflowing.

Using my favorite chopsticks, I raised the piece of dragon meat together with the rice into my mouth. My teeth sank into the meat without feeling any resistance.

My face involuntarily broke into a smile. At that time, on my face, like in cooking manga, happiness gave way to tears.

A variety of texture and taste mingled in my mouth, but it's not something that is mixed, rather they harmoniously complement and strengthen each other.

In addition, slow roasted, dragon meat was simply overflowing with juice.

In just one bite, my whole mouth became full.

If not eaten little by little, it can be quite difficult to chew.

Again the meat juice is delicious. Swallowing it, I once again feel the taste of the dragon meat. The taste is always changing, and no matter how much you eat, there is no limit or feeling of having eaten too much.

The effect the dragon meat has on the face is profound. It is indeed supreme meat.

In addition, rice soaked in meat juice and eaten together with the meat creates a deeper flavor. It's irresistible :D !

For a while, we continued eating, not thinking about anything.

It was the same with Kanami, we did not stop until we ate everything in front of our eyes.

After the meal, as expected, our bellies were full to capacity. The visible bulge of my belly, however, quickly receded. It seems the food was rapidly digested. It's my body, but somehow it was still a strange sight.

And as a result, I can say that the meat of the [Dragon Empress], compared with the [Dragon Emperor], was softer and its taste was deeper. Personally, I felt the [Dragon Empress] tasted much better than the [Dragon Emperor].

Although the slightly tough meat of the [Dragon Emperor] has its own charm, both have their advantages and disadvantages. There is a difference in strength between individuals, and the differences between the male and female gender must also be considered.

Ability learned: [Immunity to Heat]
Ability learned: [Dragon Emperor's Explosive Roar]
Ability learned: [Burning Dragon Blood]
Ability learned: [Dragon Emperor's Inexhaustible Life Force]
Ability learned: [Heat Absorption]
Ability learned: [Lesser Summoning: Dragon]
Ability learned: [Intermediate Summoning: Dragon]
Ability learned: [Greater Summoning: Dragon]
Ability learned: [Chief Guard of the Dungeon]

I was able to get 9 abilities but ... wait ... wait there's a strange one mixed in.

What is this [Chief Guard of the Dungeon]?

Is this generally normal? How else can I say this? Does the dragon not have anything to do all day? How would this work??? Perhaps until the first attacker, all this time she'd slept and eaten, is that why I was able to get this ability?

I don't know. In any case, I don't see a need to find out.

Anyway, now that I've got it, I need to know what kind of ability it is.

After activating it, the moment I thought of gems while looking at the floor, a red gem the size of a palm instantly appeared at that spot.

Appraising it and making sure it was real, I tried to eat it. The texture was crunchy with a slightly sweet taste, moreover, it had a decent amount of mana inside, and was delicious in the middle.

... lost in contemplation ...

This time I thought of a treasure chest, and a [treasure chest] appeared. I opened it, and inside was a variety of objects, such as magical metals and medicine. Because it was just good for souvenirs, I quickly put it in my Item Box.

For a while after I tried different combinations. Apparently, this ability is limited to dungeons I've conquered; it seems the user instantly enjoys many privileges.

Naturally, in the dungeon acquired by [Dungeon Plunder - Howls of the Underworld] you can modify any setting, large or small, though a poor change could result in the place being filled with lava. Since such mistakes may occur, it is difficult to use in emergency situations since any error could cost lives.

But using it, you can immediately get almost anything you want, as well as easily change the landscape of the maze. Of course everything has its limits, but simple tasks are easy to handle.

At first I thought, "What is this?," but now I see. Within the dungeon, this can be quite useful.

I continued testing out the functions of the dungeon until late afternoon. I also examined the new ability [Enemy of the World - Insatiable Gluttony]. Although understanding

dungeon manipulation will take quite a bit more time, this ability can be figured out relatively quickly.

Apparently it's very similar to my [Absorption] Ability.

There are certainly some differences, but the main feature is the more the eater (me) eats, the faster its abilities will grow.

Thus, now when I eat, I have 2 abilities: [Absorption] and [Insatiable Gluttony], so I'll get stronger twice as fast. That's quite nice.

It's likely to help, but in return it considerably raises my appetite.

You may think, now my chance of getting abilities has increased. But the reality is not so sweet.

Why? Because I have reached the next rank/evolution.

Even though having [Insatiable Gluttony] and [Absorption] has increased the chance of getting abilities, my current race [Vajaraksha Overlord] (a kind of living god species), is way too strong, so the chance of getting abilities is actually much lower.

Learning abilities would be far easier if not for the Rank-up, but it's already too late.

I don't think that my choice of race is wrong, but whether the extreme drop in learning probability could've been prevented ... well, nothing can be done about it now.

So, having solved another mystery, I decided to work late, altering the dungeon to my liking.

By the way, my name was changed from [Aporou] to [Obarou].

There were many options with Rou: furious Obara, yarosny ObaRod; but Obarou sounded better so I stopped there.

Incidentally, Kanami's name remained as is.

The result of today's synthesis is:

[Lesser Summoning: Dragon] + [Intermediate Summoning: Dragon] + [Greater Summoning: Dragon] = [Summon True Dragon]

Day 252

As a result of diligently working from yesterday up until tonight, the restructuring of the dungeon has finally been completed.

With the ability [Dungeon Creation], I was able to restructure the dungeon through the translucent screen which displayed detailed information and images regarding the dungeon. After choosing from the screen, the dungeon's reality reflects the changes made.

At first, I was surprised but because the operation of the dungeon was quite similar to those of my past life, I was somehow able to get used to it without making much of a mess.

There was quite a difference compared to the previous dungeon as a result of the changes made.

Of course, there were still quite a few resemblance between the two, but let's focus on the main changes.

To begin, the name was changed from [Flame Mountain of Flame Dragons] to [Divine Volcano of Wailing Ghosts] or [Funeral Volcano].

I was complacent even without having changed the name, but with this it would be easier to identify who conquered the dungeon - because from now on, the dungeons I conquer is going to increase.

Then, a number of traps and mechanisms have been incorporated as a part of my hobby. With this, prey wondering into the dungeon will have a higher chance of being captured.

The traps are mainly to block them since new adventurers often avoid these dungeons because most of them start inland.

So it is now slightly easier to take treasure chests compared to before. After assessing the changes, the treasure chests now offer more items to adventurers.

After that, are the new dungeon monsters that appear using magical items. [Black Gremlins] who has an ability of using a nasty substance and then there's the new hidden monster completely made up of lava, the [Lava Devils].

Their strength is not something to be concerned about, but their abilities are quite fierce.

The most noteworthy change to the dungeons are the dungeon boss that appear.

Under the influence of my [Divine Protection], both the old and new field bosses as well as the dungeon boss have their bodies painted in black while their abilities significantly rose.

Now, the previously strong opponents we once faced will now prove to be a powerful existence to explorers and adventurers.

It is an existence that's very dependable for the ruler of the dungeon while a nightmare for explorers and adventurers alike.

Incidentally, among the usual monsters, there were strong individuals and because the complexity of the [Funeral Volcano] has changed from when it was [Flame Mountain of Flame Dragons] the overall difficulty of the dungeon has risen.

Due to the countless number of veterans being defeated by the dungeon, it wouldn't be surprising if a skilled adventurer decides to challenge the dungeon.

About the other changes, I wonder...

Besides the significant changes, other changes will be omitted because it's troublesome.

Unrelated to the modifications done to the dungeon, some time as I was applying changes to the dungeon, I realized one thing.

It seems that I gain experience when an adventurer dies within the dungeon - though of course not every one of them, this somewhat makes me happy. As experience gained from the dungeon accumulates.

It lowers the difficulty of the dungeon on the earlier levels and although it is nothing, but since the level of people who intend to challenge the dungeon can increase. It seems that the higher the level, the more the efficiency level increases.

It's quite fortunate for me since with my current race, it requires an exorbitant amount of experience to gain even a single level. This system honestly saves me a lot of hassle.

"Pathetic prey, though I suppose it will be a good challenge for me."

As I was smiling wickedly, Kanami who was also smiling, hugged me from behind.

Now that there wasn't any more reason to stay here, Kanami-chan and I head towards the Labyrinth City [Radha Lo Dara].

Before heading out, we decided to enjoy the night sky together.

Although both of our races gives us the ability to fly freely in the sky, we had no intention of using it this time.

This also served as an oportunity to test my magic.

First of all I gained a new familiar who belonged to a race of dragons called the [Ancient Flame Dragons]. I named him Tatsushirou.

Shiro's body length was about 80 meters, and he was also a [Wisdom Dragon] so he was pretty big. He boasted a huge body frame that was even able to compete against dragons of the [Emperor] class.

Supporting the dragon's huge body, were tough limbs that ended with red claws capable of cutting lumps of steel as if they were made up of air. It's body was covered in an ominous combination of black and red dragon scales and it's dragon armor cannot be damaged, let alone scratched by a half hearted attack.

Four-spear like objects protruded from its head which appears to be its horns and on its back, a long mane of flaming orange as well as two pairs of four huge dragon wings resided.

The dragon's amethyst colored eyes, reflects its high intellect. From its mouth, razor-sharp teeth were dotted as its dragon flame continue to blaze.

The presence that emanated from his body was comparable to that of the field boss, [Dragon Emperor] within [Flame Mountain of Flame Dragons], perhaps it was even stronger.

So why did a dragon like Tatsushirou appear from my magic?

Because during the remodeling of the [Flame Mountain of Flame Dragons] I happened to stumble upon an ancient sleeping fossil, later named Shiro. Fortunately enough, I was able to revive it.

The ability for resurrection was not something I had before - after my evolution to the race of Apostle Lord, only then did I get the ability [Fossil Restoration].

[Fossil Restoration] cannot be activated unless a certain amount of ancient fossil is available, which is why it was unused until now. Since it would most likely say that there are no fossils to restore, but it was finally able to demonstrate its true value this time.

The result, was the ancient dragon - Shiro.

Though through my observation of the revived dragon, it seems like Tatsushirou's innate temperament is quite implacable.

Once he recognizes you as an enemy, he will relentlessly chase you until you are reduced to ashes.

The ancient race of dragons is much more tenacious than the current one, surely enough, the side being chased by Shiro can only be considered to be in a nightmare.

But after his resurrection, he submitted fairly well as I tamed him. Now he emanates an aura which I find quite cute.

Thus, after healing the resurrected Tatsushirou we rode on his back -all while Kanami still hugged me from behind, and as we left [Funeral Volcano] under the cover of the darkness at night.

We were able to reach an altitude of several thousand meters quickly. Piercing the sea of clouds, Kanami-chan and I enjoyed a moment of flight.

The flight didn't last long, but these few moments weren't so bad. A long-awaited date above a sea of cloud illuminated by the moon.

Looking down on the sea of clouds, various ideas surfaced in my mind.

Interesting things occurred while I had lost my consciousness. The information that flowed through my clones were concealed by its respective countries. My information gathering was steadily progressing as I make a variety of speculations.

Since the scale of things have grown quite a bit it looks like it will be necessary, in order to overcome them, to take action behind the scene as soon as possible.

However, the steady activity which has lead up to now shows there is no need for drastic action, it is not urgent after all.

If possible, I would like to make it as favorable to us as a party as possible, since undertaking a variety of actions is necessary.

Oh, I cannot wait.

Thinking about the future, I received a boost of motivation thanks to Kanami behind me.

Perhaps now is not the time to be thinking about it too much. While reflecting, I continued to enjoy our date.

By evening, the ending of the date drew near. As we were almost at the Labyrinth City [Radha Lo Dara], that was visible through gaps within the sea of clouds, we jumped from Shiro's back at the height of several thousand meters so as not to arouse any unnecessary chaos and panic.

In the middle of the night sky, Kanami and I were enjoying our time sky diving.

It may have been an "illegal entry", but I don't think such a thing matters at this hour.

Well at least, it doesn't bother me.

Day 253

Labyrinth City [Radha Lo Dara], Labyrinth Branch Store [Snake Heart].

Once a renowned residence with a large amount of funds invested in its construction and now the location of large quantities of Item Drops, the building was until just a couple of days ago filled with illegal residents who were captured and killed, much to my pleasure.

It has once again become a really prosperous place after regaining its former glory.

Most of the merchandise stocked are first class products, but with fair prices, especially for such quality and such impeccable details. It provides customers with unusual products which they flocked to see, thus creating a lively atmosphere.

In addition, spending a certain amount of money earned customers a loyalty card which upon filling provided them with special benefits, such as having the masterfully skilled dwarves repairing your equipment for free.

Since the staff members were elves and demons who are pleasant to the eye, a large number of men, charmed by their looks, constantly crowded the shop. There were those that were obviously sexually enticed by the workers and looked at them lewdly, but they were still outnumbered by the veteran adventurers doing serious preliminary preparations.

Not even a month has passed since its opening, and even without huge advertisement, such a huge crowd gathered. Certainly the opening sale, the location and the novelty of the place were among the primary factors in attracting guests. But the leading cause was something else.

A few days ago, a group of variants came to Labyrinth City [Radha Lo Dara], and gathered here.

In other words, it was Minokichi's triumphant return.

It is currently known that races that [Rank-Up] have been powerful and unmatched, the majority of these races ruled countries as rulers.

But regardless of what they became after the rank-up, because they still kept living without hesitation in the Labyrinth Branch Store [Snake Heart] for the past few days, the people's curiosity was set ablaze.

In a labyrinth city like this, where only the strong are righteous, the presence of such deviants at the shop serves for nice publicity. Because one would expect superior creatures to deal with superior goods, one would be led to believe that this place deals with High-class Items.

The truth is that such goods were being sold at the shop, their rarity attracting a variety of customers regardless of their level or strength.

I was worried about safeguarding Labyrinth Branch Store [Snake Heart]'s original purpose, which is camouflage, and even though I thought this sudden influx of business was crazy at first, since it had already happened, I decided to just let it go.

Since I did not enter the store under my previous disguise, the manager of Labyrinth Branch Store [Snake Heart] did not recognize me, but Minokichi and the others did at a glance.

The were a lot of rumours regarding our story and I often heard people gossip about it, but when they asked, we just answered that they were rumours.

But when they think we are not saying the truth, I will just find another excuse for them.

Anyway, after the initial pleasure triggered by the unexpected activity boom, because of the customers, I had to disguise myself as the young businessman with blond hair and sincere blue eyes that has been recognized as the owner of [Snake Heart] with [Metamorphosis] and [Shape Shift] to continue the support with a soft smile.

It would have probably been the correct strategy for the other cities as well, since everyone would prefer a gentle and sincere looking person rather than a man-eating Demon.

But here in Labyrinth City, compared to other places, it seems to be the opposite.

Here it seems there is a tendency that a weak person will lick other peoples shoes, and because it is the state displayed by my disguise, I began handling the customers with a meek tone.

Those who use intimidation to bring down the prices and those who want to take the merchandise without paying are mixed together. Ok, this guy tried stealing but he was caught immediately and taken into a dark room where we used all kinds of torture to play with him until he learned his lesson; it was hardwork.

In the evening, we had a banquet with everyone with dragon meat being the main dish. Because Minokichi and Asue were outside of the city, we left some for them to eat tomorow.

It is unfortunate, but it can't be helped.

Day 254

In the morning, I organized the documents that had accumulated in my room, which had the most luxurious interior in the whole house. I also confirmed the items that were collected and determined a price for each.

After finishing at noon, we opened the treasure chests obtained:

Treasure Chest [Coffin of Volcanic Monkey General], from the dungeon boss [Volcanic Monkey General].

Treasure Chest [The King's Tomb of Spiral Shells], from the dungeon boss [Lava Ammonite Sapendia].

Treasure Chest [The Coffin of Elephant Soldiers], from the dungeon boss [Golden Heffalump].

Treasure Chest [Mausoleum Boar], from the dungeon boss [Volcanic Blue Orc King].

Treasure Chest [Wooden Grave of the Diabolical Tree], from the dungeon boss [Diabolical Blue Flame Trent].

Treasure Chest [Monument of the Flaming Demon Cow], from the dungeon boss [Taurus Demon Lord].

Treasure Chest [Tombstone of the Scarlet Emperor], from the dungeon boss [Scarlet Dragon Emperor].

Treasure Chest [Precious Corpse of the Empress], from the dungeon boss [Flame Dragon Empress].

While with the treasure chests obtained from the Aquarium dungeon the last time it was possible to acquire 50 types of different items, this time it seems like its possible to acquire 100 types of different items.

The treasure chests [Coffin of Volcanic Monkey General] and [The King's Tomb of Spiral Shells] provided me with 5 types of items, [The Coffin of Elephant Soldiers] and [Mausoleum Boar] provided 10 types of items, [Wooden Grave of the Diabolical Tree] and [Monument of the Flaming Demon Cow] provided 15 types. Finally, [Tombstone of the Scarlet Emperor] and [Precious Corpse of the Empress] provided 20 types of items.

The contents within these treasure chests were quite indispensable as they were able to enhance our combat capability.

Magic armor, weapons, and powerful magic items were inside. Though it was quite a hassle as I was unsure of who to give what.

It's only likely to hinder their growth if I give them a strong item, so I'll just store them in the meantime; it's not that important after all.

Since the awakening of the 18 Demon Warlords has just recently occurred, giving them suitable equipment will be necessary.

As a result, I'm quite troubled that giving a majority of these [Item Box] is quite early, though some of it has already been prepared for the other warlords.

Thus, the day passed and evening soon came.

Since Minokichi-kun and Asue-chan were about to return, we proceeded with the preparations of the banquet.

Recently, the snow that fell on the street had gradually stopped. Since it was progressively getting warmer, we decided to have a barbecue outside as I cleared the snow and hung up lamps.

In order to finish preparations while it was still bright, I watched my colleagues hastily prepare tables and chairs as I roasted the dragon meat on a stove type magic item that was installed in the garden.

By reforming my silver hand into a knife, I cut the dragon meat waiting to be cooked in front of my eyes.

As usual, dragon meat is beautiful.

If it was Burasato-san the simple recipe would have become even more delicious, but today I only roasted it over the fire since, along with Supesei-san, they went to conquer a dungeon.

Saying "We certainly will bring you gifts from the dungeon boss." Since it was Burasato-san who said it, I'm sure they could do it. Though, if it comes down to it they can just run away, but they will have to come up with an appropriate penalty for it.

Well, that's why it was decided that I personally cooked.

It's a simple recipe, but thanks to the excellent quality of meat, the dish being served can be even more delicious.

Since I caught a whiff of the dragon meat, my mood gradually improved. So I decided to treat everyone to my precious sake. On my way through the hallway, I saw Aifu-chan's figure quickly pacing around the house with a large amount of paper and cans of ink accompanied by unknown women.

Currently, Aifu-chan evolved from the race of [Fimerotto (Sub-species)] to [Adelheid (New species)].

Appearance-wise, there were no significant changes. However, now she is surrounded by a fleeting atmosphere that makes her appear fragile. Like a carefully raised princess from some royal country.

But her casual gesture was fascinating, her eyes were radiating decadence and madness. While her body emanates a sweet smell of lust, concealing her putrid smell of rotting flesh.

As such, Aifu-chan went into a room along with unknown women.

[TL note: Irofu became Aifu after rank up]

Because it was a Aifu's private room, it wasn't strange for her to personally invite some friends over.

What to do... I expected something to happen as a strange smile floated onto the girls' faces.

I was correct. Apparently, they wanted to experience some mercenary work.

Since with their current race, they have the [Divine Favor of the God of Decomposition], their finesse for mercenary work seemed to have increased. Aifu's ability had also increased steadily.

The women whom I was unfamiliar with must have been her companions that she found in the Labyrinth City [Radha Lo Dara]. Surely they're like-minded people.

Among them were several holders of the [Sacred Profession]. The gentle, neat [Clergy], the proud [Noble Daughter], the [Adventurer] with a hardened body and short hair, and finally a [Painter] with an unusual appearance. Unless necessary, I won't interfere since it's not a hobby of mine.

Hobbies are a freedom of the individual after all.

Others wouldn't say anything.

If they are not a nuisance to others, I'll leave them to do their own things. Even if we become models for their hobby, it's just good to be aware of such things.

For my own peace of mind, it's better that I don't know. Absolutely.

With that said, I turned a blind eye to those two. I turned towards Kugime-chan and Seiji, both who now emanate a presence similar to those of a Lord.

Apparently, Kugime-chan helped Seiji-kun with cheap treatment sessions.

A friendly couple, slowly heading towards our area, where a feast was prepared.

The handsome and the beauty, a very picturesque moment of two demons.

Currently, Seiji-kun has evolved to [Sereneness King (sub-species)] from [Saint Lord (sub-species)] while Kugime-chan evolved from a [Kukimeki (sub-species)] into a [Kukionihime (sub-species)].

Speaking of Seiji-kun, he surpassed my expectations as he became a Sereneness King - since a [Demon King] often has a tinge of charisma.

As usual, his combat capability is fairly low - even for a [Demon King]. It seems that even a [Lord] is capable of achieving victory against him. Though when it comes to healing, finding someone equal to him is almost impossible.

Who would have thought that he was capable of completely healing a [Black Gremlin] that had already stopped breathing, lost both arms and its lower body in a span of few seconds.

Seiji-kun was capable of healing anyone even if they had lost half of their body; now he's expected to play an active role.

Kugime-chan had become even more beautiful than before; her body became refined while her behavior became even more sophisticated.

Since her power and accuracy improved drastically with her Nine Divine Eyes, she should be able to fight with her own fighting style.

But her distinctive skill lies with her sensing capabilities.

Even in her normal state, her senses far outmatches mine. Let alone the vast capital, in her serious state she's capable of increasing her detection range several, if not a dozen, times.

If a large-scale war happens to take place it's possible for Kugime-chan to see the whole battlefield; down to each and every soldier.

Should the enemy plan for some countermeasure during the course of the war, we would know in advance; making it easier to pinpoint their weakness, allowing us to quickly crush their counter attack.

As a support, it's quite likely that we'll be relying on her now more than ever.

AS such, the two demon gracefully arrived in the banquet waiting for the feast to begin.

Both of their reception went fairly well, considering the fact that they're close to the apex of the team. As to why this happens - well... it's likely because I'm the leader.

Well, since I was helping Kanami-chan, it wasn't important.

After a while, both Burasato-san and Supesei-san returned. Since they brought items from the dungeon boss like they said, I didn't complain and told them to relax instead.

More time passed and soon we started the banquet as Minokichi-kun, Asue-chan and company finally returned.

Looking at the dragon meat lined up neatly on the table, I instantly jumped and headed towards the table. Still frozen from the sight of the meat as I ate, I was quite astounded by the delectable taste.

The tears start falling as everyone fell on their knees.

Everyone continued to eat the dragon meat intently; after a while everyone took a breather. The taste of the dragon meat, I'll most likely remember for a lifetime.

As the climax came, the topic of conversations were, of course, the dragon meat and work. While everyone was drinking, they were surrounded by songs and laughter.

The three dozen of large barrels containing liquor that I personally prepared had a fairly high alcohol content, I expected no less from liquor that was classified as luxury goods within the Labyrinth City.

It was consumed like water. By the time we finished the drinking contest, everyone I competed with quickly fell, while their faces were red.

Compared to the Labyrinth City, where even at night the streets are lively, tonight is no doubt the most fun and busiest it can get.

Though I've already drunk quite a lot, as expected, drinking more is always quite pleasant.

Of course, drinking alone is nice, but sharing a drink with someone else is also quite enjoyable.

As I look at the manner in which everyone happily drank, Minokichi-kun and Kanami-chan sat next to me and drank [Demonic Spirits (Lunar Drop Saukry)].

Since the dragon meat was shared with everyone, the special sake [Demonic Spirits (Lunar Drop Saukry)] was specifically prepared for the warlords.

It seems that our colleagues were throwing envious glances our way, but I ignored them and continued drinking my share of sake.

It's a drink unavailable unless you're a warlord, though it seems it isn't certain that it was enough to go around. But rarely enough, the combination between the sake and the dragon meat was appetizing.

Of course, when separate, the delicacies were already delicious, but when combined the luscious taste just increased.

For a while, we were trying to settle our other colleagues who drank without regards to anyone. But soon after, we gave up and decided to enjoy as we enjoyed our sake.

Though there was the class difference, they had no choice but to give up other than the warlords.

Thus, the banquet lasted until late at night. After cleaning up, I immediately lay down on my bed.

Soon, sleep immediately took over.

Redhead has awakened to 18 Demon Warlords]

[Title [Red Deadly Fury] will be sent]

Just before my conciousness sunk deeper, an announcement resonated in my mind. As expected, Redhead is also among them, I thought.

After that I immediately fell asleep.

Day 255

In the morning, I immediately got in touch with Redhead.

Wanting to know more about the new powers she had developed and how she got them, however, it turned out that everything was exactly the same as with Rusty Iron Knight, being that she evolved without doing anything out of the norm.

After that, i had a nutrient-rich breakfast prepared by giving instructions to my subordinates, in the meantime, Kanami-chan, Minokichi-kun, Asue-chan and I left the Labyrinth City, in order to go test their strengths at the [Funeral Volcano].

Thankfully, the previously accumulated snow has settled making walking much easier. However, walking isn't much fun, so making sure that no one was nearby, I called the supreme dragon Tatsushirou, and we flew together to [Funeral Volcano].

once we arrived, using the jump gate at the entrance, we teleported to the same place where I had first enjoyed the dragon meat with Kanami.

At present, there was a new dungeon boss, a black colored [Flame Dragon Empress], most probably that color owing to my ownership of the dungeon.

Usually she'd be sleeping, but since I have arrived, she reacted and woke up. Upon rising from her slumber she began to ask us about the purpose of our visit, to which, I told her that I would like to have a duel with Minokichi, because I would like to compare our strengths and see how much my rival has grown.

[Flame Dragon Empress] immediately in accordance with my wishes rose and attempted to fly, she collected a large amount of magical power in her hands, opened her wings and her body immediately rose into the air, and instantly disappeared somewhere in the sky.

Watching this scene, I was once again marveled by a dragon's excellence, strength and greatness.

Asue and Kanami were also in danger here because I asked them to keep watch of the Flame Dragon Empress's lair.

Asue, a former [Mine Demon (Earth Lord - subspecies)], has the power to become a superior class being [Emperor], [Earth Hell Judge (subspecies)], and therefore had a fairly strong protection against attacks like lightning, and now she was quite capable of withstanding a direct hit.

Kanami, even though she looked fragile, was not someone to mess with and could also take a hit. A weak attack would not even leave a scratch on her skin, and a strong attack, even if it breaks through will be stopped by her durable but flexible muscles. Even if she faced an attack that could damage her multiple protections, she should be able to survive and receive treatment before dying.

They had protection in this form at least and most likely wouldn't die perhaps. But all the same I'm worried. So I gave them new magical items, with stronger effects compared to those that they previously owned, improving their protection.

I used items such as installation, which is not quite convenient to rearrange, but once put it quite simply does not break down.

Thinking it was a good chance, I decided to upgrade the pair's armor.

The overall shape has not changed, but the material and design, are different and much better if i do say so myself.

In addition, this the fact that, all things they were given were produce using the items mined in the [Age of the Gods] dungeon, meant their abilities the armor possessed was much higher than previously. Weak attacks will not leave any scratches, therefor greatly increasing bearing capacity, while having their own abilities.

Having prepared for the possibility of a backlash from the fight reaching the girls, I returned my attention to the Flame Dragon Empress and Minokichi. A former [Minotaur (subspecies)] he has now become a member of the race [Great King Thunderous Bull (Gigas Minotaur - Superior Species)] after the [Rank Up (Evolution)].

The abilities of this race are far superior to even an army. Focused on the ability of the [Emperor] and focused on personal abilities, ability [King], with the forces of both classes, this time among the 8 Demon General, he became a representative of the most powerful race.

This meant that his power became significantly closer to mine.

His body has grown even more, as compared to before. His muscles now resemble rolled together iron bars that encircle his body, and his body was covered in purple skin with white gold tattoos.

Unless it was the magic sword of a [Saint] nothing could pierce his skin, but it's so nice to feel that I want to stroke forever. Once touched, I do not want to let go, his skin is extremely addictive. However, it's just not possible to stroke that long, as around his wool here and there appear white lightning. Although unless Minokichi wants this, the lightning will not cause harm to others. Only this time they may harm his comrades as we are here to fight.

Due to my abilities I can block his lightning through [Heat Immunity] and [Heat Absorption], so I think that everything will be okay. That's only in the case of a gold zipper, there is some chance that [Lightning Immunity] may fail.

Fortunately golden lightning can not be regarded as an attack, which is a benefit as his body produces it naturally.

Well, when Minokichi slightly tensed, these gold zipper around him began to furiously cut through the air, and the air around him began to shake.

So I think everything will be fine, it is precisely the benefit of the attack. If you inadvertently get caught in the crossfire, you may die on the spot.

In truth Minokichi expression today was very appropriate. As to the enemy, to his crowded strength I had not any complaints.

At this time, for various reasons, the fight will take place without weapons. Locked in each others vicious gazes without a sound we rushed into battle at the same time.

As a result of today's sparring we brought about many changes to the local landscape, and continued to fight until late evening.

By the end of the fight he was unarmed, but the endurance of both, was already at the level where it can be called infinite, because we could without any interruption and fight the whole time at full force.

Nevertheless, the fight resulted in my victory...obviously. But the gap between us was not that vast. Apparently he found a new ability called [Physical Damage Penetration], the attack Minokichi uses even when being completely blocked, still causes damage.

In addition, it is possible thanks to [Physical Damage Penetration], or resulting subjugation of the dungeon [Dragon Flares Theory], or other abilities rather uncanny ability [Killer God's Flash of Lightning], or as a result of all of them together, not much but after a certain amount of damage, it was beginning to cause me to lightning damage.

When you put or render them myself it's hard to understand, but when, even if a blocked attack passes through your body, it gets really disgusting.

So I was able to learn at the same time the chapels of my body and look at growth Minokichi. Snacks were prepared by Kanami and Asue, we collapsed right there on the ground.

Lightly beat down, but from the fact that my skin became stronger, it does not bother me to sleep.

Raising his face to the top naturally in sight got clear night sky.

Due to improvement of vision, I can see not only the arena, but also are much more sparkling stars.

Sometimes this kind of thing is not bad, so I decided to lie down to sleep right way.

[Akita Shiba-inu (Kobold Shogun) 18 Demon Warlords awakened]

[Title [Blood Obliging Samurai - Samurai Dog] will be sent]

[Female Knight 18 Demon Warlords awakened]

[Title [Brilliant Merciful Righteous Knight] will be sent]

Announcements in my head. Honestly, Female Knight exceeded my expectations.

Although last time I did not give her anything, this time I have to give her good gifts.

Day 256

Immediately after I woke up, I talked to both of them and found out about the details.

Breakfast was dragon meat. Afterwards, we continued the training we started yesterday.

Yesterday I fought only with Minokichi, one on one, but this time Kanami and Asue will also take part in it.

I will battle against the three.

This time, we will fight with weapons, but holding back some of our abilities. That is so that, the battle will be close to real combat.

Located in the front, Minokichi after [Rank Up (evolution)] along with his favorite weapon, looked like a living mountain.

His favorite battleaxe, became the heavenly axe [Axe of Celestial Lightning], and a shield that is so big that he is able to hide his whole body behind it, was the celestial shield [Absolute Flame Gates of the Thunderous Bull Emperor].

Their ability to grow is incredible and the overflowing force was enormous.

Neither of those [Sacred Treasures] are mediocre.

Hiding behind Minokichi's back is Asue, armed with this huge hammer a hard and destructive [Hammer of the Goddess of the Earth [Yabushiro]], which she was carrying on her shoulder. On her other hand she wore a magic gauntlet, [Lava Glove of Boar Demon King] allows her to create a huge lava hand .

Of course among those three items it was the weakest, but it has the ability to control the land, also to cover the back, so it has enough power.

If you underestimate her, you will pay dearly, because of her new ability [Thunderous Crystal Prison].

Located in the rear is Kanami, removing the [Sealing Demonic Eye Glasses] and armed with a ominous red-colored Claymore-type magic sword, [Drop of Moonlight], as well as the ability to summon huge amounts of water, with a minimum expenditure of mana. The [Loincloth Water Grief], absorbs the surrounding water and compresses it. It becomes a magic weapon [water gun] that can shoot water-bullets.

Armed with a large variety of magical items and abilities she is capable of performing numerous different attacks.

But even without those abilities, Kanami is really strong.

Not only the allocation of responsibilities, their coordination in truth was simply superb.

So much, that it was difficult to improve anything.

The three of them fought together against me. I was armed with a spear and a red cursed spear, as well as the [Butcher Knife of the Boar King] and the [Soul Sword Quivering Water's Nautilus].

Both of those new swords are very sharp and have high strength.

It is even possible to break the solid skin of Minokichi.

In addition, regarding the [Soul Sword Quivering Water's Nautilus] I still do not know all of it's abilities, but with the strength of the [Sacred Treasures], it can be used without any problems in our training.

The result, to be honest, I thought that I was going to die there.

All three of them, right from the beginning to the end, were fighting with their full force.

The enemy is me, so they behave as if everything is possible.

The three used depleted attack [(Destructive Attack) Ranks Massacre of 8 Demons (Attack of 8 Demon Generals] as well as the effects of the fighting formations [Void Form (Combat Formation of the 8 Demon Generals].

If I were hit by such attacks as the Apostle Lord, I would have lost my hands and feet.

Well, anyway, somehow I was able to win. This body of mine had greater power than I expected.

So the second day was the same as the first (ended in my victory), and in the evening we just ate together.

By the way, the reason why I suddenly decided to have two days of such training is quite simple.

Currently, our training has too big of an impact on the surrounding terrain.

Of course by restricting our full power we could train without destroying the surrounding area, but that in itself is quite difficult, and I do not want this to become a habit.

But to operate at full capacity, in the usual place is absolutely impossible.

From the light there of, the attacks on the ground are cracked, and the storm winds are created. A murderous wave of magical power, will be sure to cause damage to the surrounding area.

All living creatures from the surrounding area will sense the danger to their own lifes, thus leaving the area of our training in a hurry. Naturally this includes monsters.

Most of these monsters, which are driven from their familiar places, will attack the nearby villages and towns. In the worst case scenario, under pressure from the hordes of monsters, entire cities might get trampled.

It is unlikely, but this scenario seems quite possible.

I'm not that noble, but I want to avoid this problem.

Just think of the benefits training in this place could hold for us in the future. But even if not, why destroy the lives of others, we are not hostile creatures.

Therefore it was decided to conduct training in the [Buried Volcano]. It has an automatic repair function that made it perfect for training.

After training, we immediately went to sleep to rest for tomorrow's training.

Day 257

Two days were spent in training, now we have to return to the Royal Capital Osvel and to get the kids to head back to the great forest.

Or so I thought, but instead I had to spend another day in "volcano burial."

The reason being that Burasato-san and Supesei-san, who were collecting a variety of grimoires and magic swords in the Labyrinth City [Radha Ro Dara], as well as Seiji, who was performing cheap healing helped by Kugime, as well as leading clandestine activities calmed down once Aifu, had their own plans.

That is, Burasato and Supesei rebelled.

[ED: rebelled in this case means "also wanted to spar."]

I am sorry that I have not once called all this fun, would know that they will react immediately took them with me.

For a start, I held a training session with enthusiastic Burasato and hubris.

They fought as a pair, with Burasato as vanguard covered by the Supesei.

Burasato-san former [Blood Lord (sub species)], became [Blood Raid Empress (subspecies)].

Her outside appearance has hardly changed. Aside from some added Ogre Orbs, and that her appearance became more courageous, but as always in battle, she bathed in the enemy's fresh blood.

The truth in the exterior still has a special distinguishing feature.

Now she appeared behind sharp wings of blood.

She previously had a habit of creating a lot of bloody swords, but actually she could not do it. Because the material used for these swords is the blood of enemies, thus it was almost impossible to carry it with her.

But as [the Empress bloody army], she appeared behind bloody wings, which can be used as a reservoir, making it possible to carry blood with her.

Because of this, even without killing many enemies, it was possible to fight at full strength from the beginning.

Now she can simultaneously manage multiple bloody swords, the maximum number being a few hundred (or up to several thousand if limited to simple strokes).

Just imagining this, is enough to understand how much of a problem the army led by Burasato was.

But in addition, it significantly increased her combat abilities and changed her fighting style.

Before, her style was to use a magic sword: [Princess fresh blood] with her right hand while controlling blood swords. But now, she also carries in her left hand a new magical sword, [the blood of one dead hunter], so now her style has changed.

It became a style with 2 magical swords with which she stirred many bloody swords, bearing multiple attacks like an avalanche. Meanwhile, if you compare her in the managing of blood with Kanami-chan, the latter wins in the amount she can control but at her limit the control only amounts to clumsy movements. Because of this the difference between them is not large.

Responsible for the rearguard is the former Supesei [Spell Lord (sub species)] who became [Queen of the Bright Star Witches (sub species)].

In her appearance, too, there are some changes, such as added Ogre Orbs, but the main innovation is the 8 rainbow colored steel spheres, similar to the planets, which flew around her in orbit.

After examining them, it turned out that they are some type of Ogre Orbs and ordinary steel knives are not able to leave any scratches on them.

After trying to make a scratch with one of my hands which I turned into a silver knife, it left a scratch, but after a few tens of seconds, it recovered.

I wonder to what extent she could manage them with the help of thoughts. For example, quickly turning to repel the attacks, or attack if the enemy had come up close to the nuclei.

But their true role shows when she uses magic.

Using these 8 balls as catalysts, it is possible to easily apply the highly ranked magic that previously caused a lot of difficulties. And with the use of 8 areas, the main force of attack multiplies the magic attack 8 times, yielding a completely different level of ability.

In contrast to an obvious growth in her ability to use magic, her physical abilities, are now lower than those of Seiji.

If an ogre, after receiving deadly magical attacks, passing through her barriers and defense of the areas, could still attack, the ogre would cut her down.

Previously, this was not the case, but now she became physically weaker.

But after all, it only matters if someone can approach her.

Whatever it was, today, I tripled the training with this pair of demons.

Located at the forefront is Burasato, and while you're stuck fighting her, some strong magic attacks come flying at you from your blind spots.

Which were followed by a continuous stream of murderous attacks. If you dealt with them, magic attacks will start flying at you again.

They have fought together for a long time, thus their teamwork is incredibly accurate.

Well, as the result, I still won.

There were many reasons, the primary being my 4 silver hands, which enabled me to counter every blood attack of Burasato.

No matter how strong you are if the opponent is a bad match, you can't fight using your full potential.

After trying a variety of combinations, I tried fighting against all 5 demons.

I have to say it was one of the most brutal battles after my rebirth.

They all became stronger though, and we all ended up wounded, but they were happy to see me in this state.

Well, the others looked even worse than I did, but these moments themselves are quite good.

Day 258

We woke up before dawn, we rode on Tatsushirou (the Fossil Dragon revived by Rou) off the Funeral Volcano.

Tatsushirou's flight speed was frightening, because we almost immediately arrived at the Labyrinth City Radha Lo Dara.

It wasn't convenient to jump from the sky like last time, so I entered the normal way through the gate inside.

I had to stand in line, but it was early in the morning, so we were able to enter without waiting so long. Despite the early morning, the city already was awake, and life here is blooming.

Eating food on the way similar to Doner kebab, was quite tasty.

Apparently they are using drop items from the derived labyrinth, it also seems the quality of the meat is good in its own way. Of course the whole secret of the taste was the way it was cooked.

I'll try to do the same, but only with dragon meat. I am sure that it will be delicious because how could it not be.

Thinking about it, instead of heading directly to the house, we each went our separate ways.

Fortunately, because we did not stay here for a long time and we did not have a lot of personal items, since items like magic swords, magic books, clothes could be bought here. Because I also have my item storage, the packing did not take very long. (ex. clothes with special embroidery, magic swords and magic books). Because there was nothing to do and the city had numerous kinds of magic shops, everybody went to buy souvenirs. Fortunately it didn’t take a lot of time.

We, the 9 demons, will be returning to the Sternbild Kingdom's Royal Capital, while members of Heart of the Snake will stay here and work.

The fact is that in the short time since our store opened, we have suffered abuses from other companies (wrong type of lads came unreasonably complained about the quality of the goods), as well as some illegal actions against us (attempted arson and attempted kidnapping of the staff).

The staff also intended to find and hire enforcers among the residents of the Labyrinth City, but it was decided not to do so since people would feel that we lacked the power to solve these problems on our own.

Therefore I can not remove any of the members from our group that are stationed here to take them with us, since their power is needed here, So this time only us, the 9 demons returned.

I replaced the blond blue eyed young businessman with my clone to look after the shop and the staff. It stayed here not only to guard, but also to assist the business of the Labyrinth Branch Store [Heart of the Snake].

After putting an end to things, we went on the wagon Skeleton Centipede and left the Labyrinth City Radha Lo Dara.

At the time of our departure we attracted even more attention than we did when we arrived.

We were viewed with fear, interest, admiration, a lot of feelings were displayed in the faces of the crowd.

After driving for a considerable distance, taking Great Skeleton Centipede from the item storage, I asked Tatsushirou to carry it.

We could like before travel on the ground, but I wanted to know his maximum speed, load capacity and flying range. Because of that we did so this time.

Satisfied, looking at his dashing appearance as he easily takes the heavyweights of Asue and Minokichi to the sky, we certainly could have headed straight back with great speed immediately. But since we're already here, I decided to look around for some attractions from the sky.

In this vast world, there exist some mysterious phenomenons.

For example, in the sky above a forest in various heights there were countless lumps of rocks in various sizes floating. It seems it is inhabited by monsters of the flying type.

Or another example, around a certain landfill there are a wide range of flower in various colors which are incredibly beautiful.

But among these colors a lot of carnivorous plants nectar's has been devoured by the [Scarlet Hummingbird].

Or, for example, on a certain river ,which is broad, countless fish are floating, which can be seen even from the sky. They look like size of a palm, but their actual size is close to a giant house.

Or like some snow covered mountain peaks which are reaching the clouds, forming a huge crater with the sun, that gives a demonic look.

Admiring the view onto those great places, towards the evening we arrived to a location near the capital of the kingdom.

With the incredible speed of Tatsushirou, even while taking an indirect route, we arrived pretty quickly at the scene.

Thinking that a giant ancient dragon can cause panic, it was decided to go land in the woods, where the trees were blocking the view. While we stayed Tatsushirou quickly returned to the Funeral Volcano. Just a few seconds after he pushed off the ground, he was out of sight.

I put my parasites inside of Tatsushirou, because at any given time when I will need him, I will be able to contact him.

By traveling on the Great Skeleton Centipede, we quickly arrived at the gates of the Royal Capital.

I have not seen it in quite a while, but the gate to the capital was quite impressive. You could feel its history, it was a magnificent structure.

At the gate, the young guard who was in charge of the gate looked familiar, we were able to enter quickly because I used the pass that I received from the Tomboy Princess.

Inside the capital we continued in the Great Skeleton Centipede.

It was more likely to cause panic and confusion which I didn't wish for, but it seems I did not need to worry about it.

The Great Skeleton Centipede hides us well, it is pretty hard to discern us from the outside. Since the Skeleton Spider service has become more and more popular, and the citizens knows which organization it belongs to because of the drivers and advertisements.

So when looking at the special [Great Skeleton Centipede] even the children might have guessed, whom it belongs to.

In other words, it seemed that even if we hid, everyone will know that we came home.

Among the locals who had gathered to see us here and there were visible silhouettes of fanatics, regardless of their age, falling to their knees.

I was plagued by the thought of what would happen should they suddenly see our appearances.

When we go out, I decided to put on a long mercenary coat with a hood for the time being.

I continue seeing everybody grows up by fission, but what there is really it and confirms is important. After having celebrated our re-encounter, I thoroughly enjoyed the dish which whom I employed [Cook] prepared. Because I put great deal of effort with much effort and made it, as for eating dragon meat, という was again at the next opportunity.

Arriving at the house, I was finally able to hug Auro, Argento, Oniwaka, and Redhead. I have been communicating with them through the clones, but it is important to see them with my own eyes. After having celebrated our home-coming, I thoroughly enjoyed the dishes the cook prepared.

Since they are so tired after making the dishes, we will let them taste the dragon meat next time.

Day 259

Probably due to the fact that for once I was able to sleep in bed, I woke up much later than usual. During my most recent adventure away from home, I frequently slept in the Great Skeleton Centipede or sometimes on the bare ground. This experience has opened my eyes to the beauty and charm of warm blankets.

There is no snow on the street, but it was still quite cold, so I did not want to get out of bed. Especially sleeping with Redhead and Kanami-chan using me as a pillow. We started the day with a light warm-up (so as not to cause problems for the neighbors) followed by a tasty breakfast. After that everyone went to manage their own affairs.

I also had a job of sorting documents. But the work was not much, so by noon I had free time.

I wanted to watch the training of the children, but Minokichi-kun and company had to do it.

Kanami-chan and Supesei-san are training Solitude. Seiji-kun, and Kugime-chan went to treat people on call, thereby strengthening the ties with the local community. Asue-chan as usual went her way, so that all were busy with their own affairs.

Therefore, deciding that the best time of 4 [Sacred Treasures] that I had on hand:

【Sunlight's Soul Sword, Hisperiol】

[Soul Sword Quivering Water's Nautilus]

[Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water]

[Dragon God's Gem of Rebirth]

I chose the [Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water].

From one of its kind, it was clear that this Sacred Treasure was Phantasmal class. It covers a mystical aura.

I put the [Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water] in my mouth, and started to bite, and bite and bite. Bite of all forces.

Earlier I tried to do the same with 【Sunlight's Soul Sword, Hisperiol】, but at the moment I have absolutely nothing happened. That's pretty much hurt my pride. But now, having become [Vajrayaksa Overlord (Vizra Species - Living God Species], I decided that I finally get something.

Continuing a while, I did not get results.

[Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water] remains extremely solid.

Apparently it will not work, but I still did not give up and continued to bite it, it has been more on obstinacy.

Biting, biting and biting. With all the strength he continued to bite. Expecting nothing to come out ... When I certainly thought so, just for a moment, but just for a moment I felt something under my teeth leaned material.

At the same moment, I felt the taste, even surpassing the taste of dragon meat. What!

This was a taste I could not describe in words. As long as I didn't try it again, explaining how it tastes was impossible. Just delicious, so much for the notion that this word could no longer describe its taste.

From such a shock, I even thought that I was about to lose consciousness. In my mind, as though I walked electrical discharge.

The taste was the taste of [Sacred Treasure] [Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water], which still leaned under the pressure of my teeth.

Now I can chew it! Previously, I could not, but now I can!

After that, nothing happened, I continued to chew. Then, after a while, I broke off a small piece.

My teeth are working! My teeth could break [Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water]!

At the moment I swallowed it, I felt the taste of which was impossible to resist, I could not stop until you eat the sacred treasure to the end.

After finishing the work, having fun with Kanami-chan and now playing with Auro and company, I continued to chew. Not stopping. I just could not stop.

So it went on until the evening.

[Kumajirou has awakened to 18 Demon Warlords]

[Title [King of Demonic Bears] will be sent]

[Kurosaburou has awakened to 18 Demon Warlords]

[Title [Emperor Black Wolf] will be sent]

Day 260

Still chewing from yesterday - which, honestly, I think continued in my sleep - half of the Sacred Treasure of Phantasmal class magic item remains.

This was expected, but I, finally, can start to absorb the [Divine Power] hidden inside [Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water]. While waiting for it to be absorbed, I decided to learn more about a couple of my 18 Demon Warlords.

First, Kumajirou.

Kumajirou whose [Rank Up] evolution into Desolation Spirit Panda from Oniguma, has an appearance with a thick, sharp horn, like obsidian, from the forehead about one meter, and his height is now 11 meters.

With a white and black, tough body wrapped entirely in a flexible body hair, he is lying strewn somewhere in a lovely gesture. Companion animals, if you if you ignore their size, whether would not become popularity as an ornamental.
But do not approach it lightly. Even if Kumajirou is just playing around, the majority of organisms would easily be killed.

His huge paw can penetrate a dragons scales, and his teeth easily compete with the severity of a Dragon.

Moreover, the horn on his forehead significantly increased his overall status, shrouding him with a black aura emitted from sharp protrusions found on both shoulders and elbows made from the same material as the horn, yet it also allowed special attacks.

He has excellent physical abilities and, contrary to what you see (lazy appearance), he is pretty agile.

An inept army would easily and quickly be trampled by him into the ground. In truth, he had a brute force worthy of the title of [King of Demonic Bears].

Next, Kurosaburou.

Kurosaburou was [Rank Up] evolution into Triple-Headed Hell Cerberus from Double-Headed Orthoros Wolf.

With bristles as black as darkness and the triceps of Kurosaburou is about 4 meters.

Near the neck grows countless snake heads spitting fire and poison. The tail has become strangely reminiscent of a dragon's tail.

More or the number of head large body, neck and tail are snake, it might look a little scary, but in fact he acts like a friendly dog.

The black bristles are soft and fluffy, it also feels good. If you take a nap on top of the black Kurosaburou, you will spend time spoiled comfortably.

Of course, the combat capability has been much improved than before.

In contrast to strengthening the capacity it became Kumajirou as individuals, while Kurosaburou has become stronger as a herd.

Maybe due to the fact that he became [Triple-Headed Hell Cerberus] or got the title [Emperor Black Wolf], Kurosaburou seems to have obtained the [Calling] ability.

With a howl, he is able to form a pack which numbers in the dozens seemingly coming out of nowhere.

Kurosaburou has [Leadership] ability, because no matter how much they are, they will still move like a single organism.

His general abilities were approximately at the Demigod Class [Age of the Gods] dungeon. Overall capacity compared to bear, Kumajirou, I think about the same.

Then, silver nuclei armed water mucus [War Slime Mar soil] in the biceps of the chest, it was gaining more size. When mucus covers the whole body, slime armor has been changed from blue to silver. It became metallic and become thicker than before, hardness also seems to have improved.

Since such biceps that has changed the wind is over-reliance come, we try to cherish in good beauty and systemic.

[ED: Above paragraphs describe Black Wolf to be stronger with an improved ability/characteristic. It's also basically saying that the slime item, (from the Slime Raptor Boss?) that was applied after conquering the Forlia Demigod of Spring Water Dungeon, has become stronger]

So I praised the pair will continue a solid fighting force.

Such events are great, as we hope to gain more power.

After some time, somewhere around in the evening, I finally was able to completely chew [Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water]. The sense of accomplishment when you finish eating, if anything it is hard to say that there is no sense of loss trying.

But surely, [Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water] had become my flesh and blood.

Ability learned: [Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water]
Ability learned: [Spring Water's Source]
Ability learned: [Skill Gain]
Ability learned: [Capacity Expansion]
Ability learned: [Heathen Retribution]
Ability learned: [Divine Power Conversion]
Ability learned: [Improvised Promotion]

Ability learned: [Form Change]
Ability learned: [Piercing Evil]
Ability learned: [Five Soul Lives]

Due to the digestion and absorption without spilling it even enough ounce up to the [Divine Power] it is included, all of [Precious Core of the Demigod of Spring Water] became a part of me.

Not only was able to learn the number of ability and the [Divine Power] which has been contained are willing to certainly strengthen me.

[Divine Power] is a kind of energy, whom none other than the gods can use.

But to me, who became the Vajrayaksa Overlord - Vizra Species], it was a useful energy that can be utilized somehow.

The magic is rare to use because there is a limited quantity to the [Divine Power] it is necessary to handle or in different laws to mana so it is not possible to use easily and the power simply excessive. In addition, which cannot be exercised without special [Magic] also, I think I'll be appreciate it utilized as one of the trump card.

[ED: This Power is not based on mana. It is a 'daily power' if you play those types of games. It is restricted on how many times you can use it, so Rou will use it as a hidden trump card.]

From joy that suddenly got a trump card that can save me in a desperate situation, I threw a party with dragon meat.

Arranged a number of dishes at the Banquet Hall in the mansion, it was grand to celebrate with everyone.

The participants led by me and Kanami-chan, Redhead, children, Female Samurai, and general team members, in addition to everyone in the Royal Capital, such as Solitude and

hired butler and maids. Also people who found out we returned, the Tomboy Princess, Boy Knight, First Queen and Dark Hero came to visit.

Quite a large party, it started with a toast, to a bit of friendly conversation then finally the dragon meat.

Unsurprisingly, the dragon meat caused the same reactions as the other times In other words, one after another, people began to cry tears of gratitude because it was simply too delicious.

Among them, particularly stood out the reaction, who recently lived below the poverty line, Solitude. I even began to fear as if all the liquid from their bodies turned into tears.

Most of them burst into tears, which flowed a stream on their clothes, one of them was the commander of the punks. Such as the manly and the largest.

[ED: Don't think he means 'bully' in the ranks of Solitude since Rou would simply discipline him. I think he means the commander of Solitude who is more 'manly' than the rest.]

Since it was not from sadness, and because it is joy that tears came out. While patting everyone on the head I decided to enjoy this moment.

In general, a lot of things happened.

Tomboy Princess and Boy Knight were surprised that we again [Evolved], and then we told them stories about our difficulties.

Honestly, I think that's a little strange since they were divulging state secrets.

From First Queen and Dark Hero, it was shown a longer reason is knife flying would not than that in either the here the reaction of the extent of going to be a worry. Is I want you to pardon the I'll try to buy secretly spent knife.

The children, Auro, Argento, Oniwaka and Opushii detail questioned me about where I traveled this time, and what I did, they also talked about what they had learned. Even very small Opushii, lately, although clumsily, began to talk.

The incredible speed of their development. As expected from my children.

From the Female Samurai that was left at the Royal Capital's head office, the manner of exhibition products commenting, purchase is commenting, troublesome buyers is commenting, it was fun but I want a rest commenting. Because such as tired, I change the schedule, I think that I'll take her to a large forest of hot spring. The store can be left on my clone.

[ED: Rou was listening on how the store was going, how sales were going, troublesome buyers. And because of this, Rou decides to take her to the hot springs.]

Then I heard from Kanami-chan, about how she wants more children, I talk about Redhead and Opushii of education act, consulted efficient to Minokichi-kun and Asue-chan what to do in order to have more children and are questioning the efficient treatment to Seiji-kun, or been consulted about the Herbs from Burasato-san, or discuss with Supesei-san about magic of efficient operation method, I've drunk usually I entangled in a ladylike Kugime-chan (suffered nagging), it was or observed a state in which the compared drink with a huge wine barrel by the man who became a half-naked in Aifu-chan laugh as "Gufufufu Aifu feeling depressed". **[ED: Paragraph is discussing conversations he had with different people. Kanami - She wants more children.** Redhead and Opushii - Education/Training for Opushii Minokichi and Asue - What to do since they want more children Seishi (The serenity king) - Effective ways to treat Burasato - Herbs (I am guessing) [Hubris in Google translate] Supesei - Discussed magic, effective ways to use magic Kugime - ? ~ Azoraxxx] Too banquet party drink and sing that was chaotic, it became a large serving up also a fact that unrestricted binge.

The culprit for this unusual fun, most likely it was a dragon meat.

Or a very tasty drink from the labyrinth. Or both of them. Good food, great people to support mood. Throw in a good drink, nothing to patch up that it happened.

Delicious cuisine makes cheerful human. If do not have sake there and it might not even come to this way.

To drink and drink, eat and eat and laugh had moments to go past.

I drank good wine today.

Because the next banquet will be in the great forest, where we drink the same or even better.

Blacksmith-san, Alchemist-san, the Sisters, and Female Knight, it's been a long time since I've seen them and soon we will be together again. I want to see them.

We continued to feast without stopping, until late in the evening.

Day 261

When I looked out the window, the sun had long since risen.

Apparently we had overdone it, and partied all night.

During the battle with the boss, we stayed awake all night, which was quite a normal thing, but to spend the whole night in a party... it's been a while.

After drinking a golden liquid with a pleasant aroma from the glass in my right hand, a rich and complex flavour spreads delicately throughout my mouth. It tasted similar to an aged sake, if not better. As this wine has a abundance of flavours, every sip would taste unique for different individuals. Personally, it tasted like sweet nectar and I would say it ranks in the top 5 alcohol that I ever had.

This drink was from one of the two types of liquor that was acquired when clearing the Psalms, received for the execution of [History] [Demonic Spirits [Inexhaustible Demonic Hop]].

As amazing as it is however, it’s still inferior to combination of dragon meat and the【Demon Liquor: [Drop of Neverending Evening Cherry Blossoms]】.When ingested, it brings about a warm sensation that spreads top down as the liquid smoothly flows down the throat and into the belly, afterwhich the warmness spreads evenly throughout the body down to the fingers and toes. Even I would be temporarily drunk not to mention others. Paired with the dragon meat, it's simply divine as the flavour compliments each other.

Afterwhich, a tingling sensation could be felt and it persisted for quite awhile before it went away. Again, you can't help to think how could liquor be that good.

I was only a little annoyed that the container is small.

Well, this discontent is quite trivial because the bottle has a wonderful property. Once it's empty, and a set time has elapsed, the content of the bottle returns back to the original amount of demon liquor. So such complaints should be hidden. I put back the bottle but I was still left with the feeling to drink more. It's quite a shame but it can't be helped.

Well, I would feel like I was in paradise even with the liquor alone, but this time, in the banquet, we prepared three kinds of meat to pair with this special wine.

The first one was grilled Dainamazu. This type of monster was in the [Jindai dungeon] caught in a [waterfall Akuriamu-Foruria Shimizu], or "huge lake of spring water fish-Dainamazu" of [Akami-kyu]. I wondered about that dungeon monster, it was like a giant catfish. That's the first thought that I had. The most important feature was that it was so large, it was thick with stored fat. There was a sense of satisfaction as if I was eating meat rather than fish. The odor that it gave off as it was being grilled was almost odorless but the taste was full of protein. It is bland but very thick the flavor becomes very good by adding a thick sauce. The fish then tastes like grilled meat. Sake is a must to accompany it. Even anyone would be enticed to eat it all if you eat a single bite.

The second is the boned rib corner of dragon meat. The soft dragon meat of the [Flame Mother Dragon Empress] was used as an alternative to the boned rib of pork. The texture was as if it was melting on the tip of your tongue. It features a slightly sweet sauce which was a little thick. It is a dish that can make you shed tears of gratitude. Also separately, accompanying the meat was the labyrinth alcohol. There were also two prepared vegetables to go along with the meat and alcohol. The "green gold Ryoku bok choy" or the "Tianbao Ten spinach" together, its appeal is further improved. The texture of the vegetables gave you a crisp feeling. All combined the texture became one of stew as they all melted on the tongue. Harmonious taste of harmony, it would be no sure getting tired to eat much.

The third was dragon meat steak. Unlike the boned rib of the Empress, the steak that was used was the somewhat harder dragon meat from the Dragon Emperor. By carefully cooking it, it has become softer to the extent you could cut it easily without feeling resistance by using forks and knives made out of Mithril. The surface of the dragon meat steak was burned to a brown color, but it was exquisitely cooked so that it still had some

redness inside. The crunchiness of the grilled steak with the tenderness of the boned rib corner is simply delicious. It overflows in the mouth with the juices of the meat like it is gravy that it makes hard to resist. And once you tried a little, your hands will be unable to stop until there is nothing left in front of your eyes.

As such these three types of meat have been arranged all over the banquet table in front of everyone. This array of food is a tremendous rarity, each one is very appealing to eat, I can not choose one without thinking carefully and if you eat a bite then you will want to eat until there is none left. People who have never eaten any of these before got lost in all these delicacies.

Very difficult problem. There's no answer, it's answer is that it is a problem.

Well, to truly enjoy each of the three types of meats at the end of the banquet, you've to be worried after all. The refreshing taste of the grilled catfish, the sweet melt-in-the-mouth boiled rib corner of dragon meat, and finally, a rich and fulfilling meat steak. If you eat a small knob of each of the attractive exhibits, your eyes get bigger than your stomach and your appetite increases by leaps and bounds. The food and liquor made us greedy and we gorged ourselves on everything.

There was nothing else important to do so the group decided to pamper themselves.

And enjoy the food and drink full glasses of【Demon Liquor [Demon's Drunken Slaughter - Inexhaustible]】while enjoying the afterglow, I turned around. And saw the members in the banquet, the butlers and maids who were hired in the mansion, and hundreds of people together, such as tomboy princess and the first queen was participating too. The result was completely different than last night.

First Kanami-chan, Minokichi-kun, Asue-chan, the group resistant to alcohol, they had been eating and drinking or talking to me, we have been up all night.

As a result of the night banquet, next to the table, laid a mountain of empty barrels that used to contain liquor.

According to my approximate estimates, the number of empty barrels already exceeded fifty or more stacking up to be like a wooden mountain. Wine barrels are usually made of special wood, durable wood for special requirements, because they looked almost the same.

Because of this, the barrel mountain was stable, and even if one of the barrels was taken away from it, I didn't think it would collapse.

Although we consumed nearly the entire mountain of barrels, Minokichi-kun and Asue-chan still sat right next to me, drinking wine straight from the labyrinth barrels, and there was no doubt that we could still easily continue.

I wonder how much they will get. Well for starters it would be necessary to remove the accumulated barrel-mountain pile into the item box.

Minokichi and Asue heroically poured a drink, but Kanami-chan behaved differently.

She elegantly enjoyed a drink out of the labyrinth liquour, as if tasting the wine from the silver wine glass.

Her movements and gestures exuded elegance, this spectacle is worthy to be printed on a picture. A great masterpiece.

She has become a member of one of the races that stand at the top of the [Vampire] race, and now her body exudes the constant aura of a [Ruler] even from a casual gesture, and that's not because of [Charm], but due to her beauty. If there was a person who could resist it, he would have gained my respect.

And just right behind her, as if trying to hide it from others, the entire tower of empty wine bottles was placed regularly, despite the fact that each of them was of the highest quality, and cost a king's ransom.

We can thus assume that even if the outside seems dinified and elegant, the person inside is as greedy as before.

All this, she drank alone. Now she's drinking the [Shanburu Dunessa], a little sweet wine that is acquired from lower level bosses of the underground [Demigod] class Age of the Gods dungeon.

Because of the difficulty of obtaining it, the price for a single bottle easily exceeds several gold plates.

A large amount of such an expensive commodity, even for the nobility, now rested in her stomach.

She very well liked it, for it was difficult to obtain expensive wines, thus it will be necessary to plan the next dungeon conquest to gain more of it.

Trying to drink sake from many other places, in itself is not bad.

Yet, as we drank, Burasato was not here. She carried Supesei, like a princess in her arms, into her room.

Of course, it was late at night, but it took several hours, and she never came back. We waited in vain, with so many drinks left. Maybe she fell asleep in between. I wonder what happened...

Of course, she could, from fatigue change her mind and go to bed, as her room was nice and it was very close to the bedroom of Supesei.

Yesterday, the day after they conquered the labyrinth, they probably felt tired. That time when she was carrying Supesei, I happened to notice on her face, a seductive smile. It is also conceivable that something is happening.

The probability of this is quite high.

She clearly had the eyes of the hunter. Or the eyes of a predator, staring at the weakened prey.

Well, whatever it was, I personally will not climb into their problems.

We're comrades after all, and one family.

Personal tastes are different, we need to respect them, while maintaining the freedom of each.

No one should engage on their business until they asked for help. Personally, I will not meddle in this issue.

My clone is there but the details are not known because that side should not be touched.

As for Redhead, she was tired after the party so I took her to my room, and now she is fast asleep hugging Opushii. Auro, Argento, and Oniwaka also went to rest in their rooms.

At this time, they may already be awake, but the training ground still lay quiet, so they are probably still in their rooms.

Seiji-kun who slept on a large sofa with a blissful face, a little away from us, had the same drunken stupor as Supesei. On both sides of him were Aifu and Kugime who were also sleeping. With them slept a few more random demon girls. They were ladies in love with him, in other words members of his harem.

Seiji was popular before, so this is not surprising. Honest and good, nice looking and has a high status in some sense, we can say that falling in love with him was quite natural.

Moreover, when receiving fatal injuries during a training, seeing Seiji-kun carefully treating their wounds will trigger a "suspension bridge effect", it is quite natural to fall in love with him in that situation.

It is a kind of levity, he does not hesitate, saying very constraining phrases. In the eyes of the girls that is worth a lot.

The trembling girl's heart, Seiji catches naturally, without any calculation.

After falling in love with the natural gigolo Seiji, the demon girls will likely bring us more problems.

But also at the head of this list were Kugime and Aifu, who were getting close to him and had overpowering skills. Because of that fact if all this becomes something extreme, I will intervene. The demon girls, in internal consultation, took their hands-off him in iron rule, so currently there is no strife.

The fact that Seiji was basking in that situation made the unpopular party members jealous, but Seiji still maintained peace and order.

Well, in this direction, it is better to not dig deeper. After all it is a troublesome matter.

It's Seiji, so he will overcome it.

Next Tomboy Princess, Boy Knight, The First Queen, and Dark Hero who had stayed over for the night.

Though I had prepared them private rooms they slept on luxurious sofas along the walls in the same way as Seiji-kun

Even though a sofa bed is slightly inferior to dedicated bedding, because the furniture is top class, it is easy and comfortable to sleep through the night.

The sleepy people who got on this sofa, a young couple, the Boy Knight and the Tomboy Princess are now blue.

Apparently in their sleep they suffered from nightmares.

Perhaps the reason for this was because the fact that they slept in their clothes, but it's most likely the effect of being drunk. They're still children, so initially I just treated them to fruit juice from the labyrinth. But apparently fascinated by the atmosphere of the holiday, or leaning on someone or some provocation, they are now as drunk as a lord. Maybe it's because they breathed in the smell of alcohol that permeated the entire ballroom. The latter reason is most likely.

Fortunately, this time was especially served the popular drink and dragon meat.

Dragon meat is fine alone with nothing to complain about, but with the drink, it becomes simply unbeatable.

Such a delicious thing I just can’t help but want to make it even tastier.

In addition, we, a race of [demons] originally liked alcohol very much and are good at drinking loads of it. Many of us drink it like water. But if the amount of alcohol in the drink is too small, or if it doesn't pass certain thresholds, we just can’t get drunk. Before we can get drunk, most of the alcohol just degrades in the body.

One example is, my [absorption ability], the cases where I got drunk at least a little was pretty low. This is one of these days. Fortunately, in today's drinking, the amount of alcohol was fairly high, so we partook in carefree drinking. One of them was Minokichi-kun, who devastated the barrels one by one.

Thanks to his efforts, the amount of liquor consumed at this banquet was enough to freely swim in it. As for me, I was drunk. However it was an easy matter to throw back another drink or two, especially in a drunken state. Nonetheless because of the amount of liquor cosumed at the banquet the room was stifled with fumes that caused a choking smell. From only this smell, those who are weak against alcohol could easily get drunk.

And the smell did not get weaker, but rather accumulated, it filled easily in the Great Hall. The smell of sake, it feels like it soaked in the body.

Among those affected by alcohol, it was not only Boy Knight and Tomboy Princess, but also the Solitude team under the tutelage of Commander Punk.

All of the younger group, almost immediately went to their rooms, but the group head, Commander Punk and some younger ones did not escape this fate and became drowsy. Greedy because of eating, the younger ones and their commander were drunk and they did not even drink, they probably did not have time to escape. Surrounded by older members, perhaps they even watered them, but at their age, it is not contrary to the laws of the kingdom, so I will not be punished.

Well, whatever it was. Drunken Tomboy Princess and the company felt unwell.

What a business... Thinking of alleviating a little the suffering of the punks that collapsed here and there, I started using [all creation], and got rid of the vomit.
By controlling fluids and gravity, I squeezed the vomit into a small ball. Freezing it, I sent the ball into the bin. A very simple action and useful, and I did not even have to get my hands dirty. It seemed a bit strange to use such a powerful skill for cleaning vomit, but it was clearly faster.

It is painfully convenient.

Like Tomboy Princess and company,the First Queen and the Hero of Darkness are on the other sofa and are thoroughly drunk, but their stomachs did not empty, so I pretended I saw nothing. Saliva flowing from their mouth, and sliding on their clothing, it's nothing yet.

Sloppiness is in each of them, because of their vulnerable species, they became defenseless.

The First Queen pressed the knife and fork I used at the banquet close to her heart like some sort of treasure.

Using a handkerchief, I wiped the drool flowing out of her mouth, and as I was doing this I heard "Ehehe" and on her face appeared a depraved smile. It was hard to look at. As if under the influence of dangerous magical drugs. It was difficult to do something.

Typically, following in the shadow of the elegant First Queen, was the Dark Hero, who now looks worse than the Tomboy Princess. The same is true around her maids. At that point, they would just go on stage, but not only is the hostess drunk, but her servants are as well.

Therefore, I personally did not see anything. Touching them is dangerous. Because, it is possible that their spirit will receive fatal moral damage...

At the same time, a lot of our friends fell asleep on the floor and tables.

The ratio was approximately 7 to 3, that is to say, on the floor there were more.

But the floor of the great hall was covered with a magnificent carpet, and it is likely that to sleep on it was nicer than on an average bed.

This carpet, stained with food and drink, vomit, saliva and mud, will be difficult to clean.

Well, it's nothing to worry about, those who have smeared it will be the ones who clean it even if using force is necessary.

Well, in this way, the dawn of the feast was over.

With the end of the holiday, those still conscious, did the cleaning.

I removed the mountains of empty wine barrels and bottles, sending them into the item box.

But, in order to remove the heavy tables, I had to push aside the sleeping members, and while they were sleeping with happy faces, but in order to help me with the cleaning I needed to wake them up. I awoke them by pouring water on their faces by using [All Creation]. After this they immediately woke up. It is certainly a harsh treatment, but compared to the conventional training, it is still very soft, so there should not be a problem.

But among some of the sleeping members were the maids and butlers, in their case, I acted softer.

The maids and butlers were engaged in service, but apparently they became intoxicated by the smell of wine as well. They fell asleep when they became too drunk.

As expected, for normal people today's drinking was probably too strong.

Well, not that someone has gotten acute alcohol intoxication. So it should be fine.

Awakened and being fellow professionals, the maids and butlers significantly helped with the cleaning and completed in a short time because we were quite quick.

I wholeheartedly think that for the cost, the need to hire professionals for such a time like this is very great.

Before returning to the great forest, we had to send Tomboy Princess, Boy Knight, the First Queen and the Hero of Darkness back to the palace.

Last night, a messenger was sent, so not to cause a panic it would be better to send them back as quickly as possible.

I woke up the Tomboy Princess, the Boy Knight, the shining First Queen and the Hero of Darkness and gave them the remains of the food in a lunch box, afterwards I sent them home through a group of bone spiders.

It was a bit strange, to give the leftovers to the royal family as a meal, but all the leftovers were of dragon meat.

Though a bit cooled, it was still quite tasty and good enough that you would be willing to sell your soul for it.

Moreover, it is likely that the problem here would be that declared nobles would want to take over this meat, but I think that in that scenario, neither the Tomboy Princess or the First Queen, will let them take it.

Well, if they are too annoying, they will probably disappear. That certainly can happen, but it's better to avoid it.

Not for us, but for them themselves.

After finishing the clean-up of all the messy things and troubles, we began to prepare for the departure to the great forest.

As usual, in the morning there should be training, but after yesterday a lot of us were suffering of a hangover, so today is a day off. At this time, the group who was returning to the Great Forest was collecting their belongings and putting them in their luggage. We will depart from the Royal Capital after 3 o'clock in the afternoon, due to the fact that many people went to buy souvenirs.

Initially, I wanted to leave Female Samurai in the capital's shops, but I already decided to take her with me, so she hastily gathered her belongings.

Using [Summon Archfiend], I made up for the missing store personnel.

I called upon several demon merchants known as [Trade Lord], a race of demons very good at trading.

It seems that after becoming a [Living God] I fulfilled a certain condition.

This allowed me to summon demons via [Summon Archfiend] that possesed a high degree of intelligence. That allowed them to potentially become excellent employees, which only encourages the use of [Summon Archfiend]. This demons were the best option in this regard because in the next few years the business will expand, entering the top of the merchant trade. Up until now, I just needed qualified personnel, so things would not be out of place, so any additional help is much appreciated.

Because, to begin with, for the sake of the experiment, I decided to leave one of them in the capital's shop. If all turns out well, I'll replace all the members of the store with the new demons and send them to the branches.

Freed workers serve for the benefit of "Parabellum". After all The General Chamber of Commerce is going to extend steadily.

While I was doing this, and other routine business, it was finally time to go.

When we finished with the preparations, we were aboard on [Skeleton Centipedes] and [Skeleton Spiders],and we happily went towards our base in the Great Forest.

Just before you leave the capital, you have to travel a small distance of the city, primary the Noble Street and Castle Street.

Therefore without wasting time, it was decided during the travel to do some advertising.

Compared to the morning, in the afternoon there was a crowd in the streets, but this time outside the streets were unusually crowded.

It was the best time for advertising.

After lunch, music suddenly spread in the streets near the entrance of the capital. Easy and fun, we made them tremble in anticipation.

Before leaning out the window, faces of locals, fascinating pictures appeared. Members, using a variety of magic and magical items, created on the streets of the parade a flame lion roar and a water army.

Some have looked at this magnificent sight from the outside, and those who came closer, members showed some magical items sold in our store. Causing the residents to enjoy the event even while puzzled.

Enjoying the carnival, broke the monotony of an ordinary day, and it well-publicized our shop. With preparations completed, I created dragons of light and darkness in the sky using [All Creation]. Sitting in a carriage [100 bones], we enjoyed the spectacle.

This advertising was similar to a parade or circus or even a theme park.

In this world, this is not a very common technique. The effect of it was much higher than expected.

But most of all the biggest attraction that got the resident's attention was Minokichi with Kumajirou and Kurosaburou.

If you ask what he was doing, it was juggling. Of course not just simple juggling.

Minokichi juggled Kumajirou and Kurosaburou.

Kumajirou weighted just under 10 tones, but thanks to the incredible power of Minokichi-kun, he easily lifted him and even Kurosaburou with just one hand.

He juggled, their bodies curled up in balls of wool. Kumajirou's biceps which turned into a hand-riding wolf rounded like a ball, the sight of a huge object dancing lightly accompanied a tremendous intimidation, but something is left out. It felt rather charming. This overwhelming show of force from the outside suddenly looked pretty cute.

On all sides could be heard cheering and flying coins.

Thus, we were able to triple its advertising, at the same time earning some money. In addition, we were showing our great fighting force at the same time, thereby getting rid of fools who were willing to interfere with us.

So we were able to achieve some other purpose, in truth turned out killing two birds with one stone.

While thinking this i thought that maybe we will repeat it in the future.

Of course prior to doing this, I got permission from the Tomboy Princess and the First Queen. As expected, to arrange this without permission, it is easy to imagine what panic could rise. Although it is possible to pass forcibly, because unnecessary dispute will happen if so it will cumbersome. It would be wise not to create an enemy.

After a while, we came to the gate, where we waited for a little inspection, but we had a pass so it was over pretty quickly and left the capital of the kingdom.

Picking up Kumakichi waiting outside, Minokichi-kun's bear, he now showed us juggling with three pets. The figure is a masterpiece.

He looked pleased.

Thus killing time until all the members came out, we continued our way to the top of the high mountains.

Columns of stretching unusual vehicles, we moved more quickly than horses, but for others we looked quite strange.

Well, we are used to it, as planned, we went by the shortest route to the labyrinth city «Purgatory».

We arrived pretty quickly, we did not go inside, but decided to stop nearby.

Among us there selected employees of the branch were higher in position, but it is not necessary for the work members, because they were little. Because charges have not taken a lot of time, and quickly left the neighborhood of the labyrinth city «Purgatory», heading to a slightly distant, less popular mountain range.

After a while, we arrived at the scene, Kugime-chan checked that no one was around, and I even used a wide range of perception abilities to examine around us for safety, I called Tatsushirou [Giant Ancient Dragon]. A few seconds later, his huge body could already be seen. His huge body bent the trees under him, but this cannot be helped.

Then, it will be necessary to bring everything in order here using [All Creation] (The ability he synthsized from various elements).

While I was patting the playfully dragon, I changed [Skeleton Centipede], fixing it on his back.

I made sure that it would not interfere with his wings, therefore problems during the flight will not occur.

Thus, a large number of members will be able to comfortably travel by air.

However, we have too many members, so to carry all of them and drop them off at the great forest was simply impossible.

Given that we had a huge Minokichi , as well as livestock and Kumajirou, Kurosaburou and Kumakichi. Kurosaburou still did not go far, but incredibly huge Kumajirou and Heavier Kumakichi [a great armored bear].

As expected, the breaks fall from overload.

Of course, I can fly in the sky, and to reduce the number of victims to an imaginary, but it will look rather silly.

For the members on bone spiders I used [Summon: True Dragons], to call dragons, black dragons.

Of course with the force of Tatsushirou, they are not equal, but thanks to my influence, the black dragons were very strong, besides, I could call quite a lot of them so in less than a few minutes, we left the forest to the sky.

Many of the members that first took to the air were shocked but quickly got used to the feeling.

Among us there were those who like I and Kanami-chan could fly, but most of them did not know how.

Although raised in the air, Tatsushirou, the black dragons were experiencing this feeling for the first time, from different sides you heard them cheering. The first experience, so he should be.

Enjoying the general reaction, I suddenly noticed among our luggage, two strange barrels.

Lightly tapping on it I heard some movement inside.

Based on this, I could not throw them away, so to begin making a small holes in the barrel, using [venom] created a soporific poison, vaporizing it with [all creation] and drove inside.

After this I heard from inside the loud snoring.

That's because, well, okay, it is also not quite a bad chance.

Thus, the mission of the terrible sky, ended in an instant, and in the evening we arrived at the base in the great forest.

Day 262

What are the hot springs in the world?

I believe that they are the place where the soul is purified.

Washing sweat, tears, dirt, stench, fatigue, warming the body and soul, it's a paradise on earth.

If you spend too much time here, the power will leave your legs and accumulated fatigue will disappear without a trace.

These are the hot springs in the world.

Especially if it is not artificially created and formed by the order of nature. Once experienced, it is no longer possible to forget that feeling.

Fortunately, in this world, they have an incredible magic power, which was not possible in my previous life and world.

As a result, the once imperceptible effects are enhanced and become quite noticeable

Among these sources, our spring was top class.

Here you can recover from chronic wounds, and if you use it regularly, you could even treat deadly diseases.

Dry and rough skin would become as smooth as a baby's, and the water itself could be a remedy to more common diseases if consumed.

All of this work, invisible to the eye, is actually done by countless spirits that bestow blessings upon living(?) organisms, stimulating their bodies and helping their recovery.

One of our best selling products is in fact water from the spring. Sold in small vials and other recipients, the water is so popular that it is almost immediately gone after reaching the store.

Most of our female customers, commoners, noble ladies and their respective daughters, are ready to buy it in spite of its high price, briging us a solid source of income.

*However I have to admit that the new natural hot springs found in our new base ([Divine Volcano of Wailing Ghosts] or [Funeral Volcano].) which I named "Bath of the Violent God", combined a first-class hot spring and an amazing scenery. The best place to relax***.**

You just had to enter the water, and waves of pleasure overwhelmed you, as if your soul was washed away from your body.

In the morning, going to to the hot springs was so nice that there was a risk of going to Heaven from bliss alone. After enjoying the thermal springs, I went down to business.

I finally returned to the Kuuderun Great Forest, where I accumulated a whole bunch of work.

From Blacksmith-san I received my fully repaired halberd. I then went to Alchemist-san where we worked on a new drug using the diverse drops and collected materials from here and there. The sisters Alma and Felicia were busy cooking and Female Knight, Female Samurai and the Gladiator King, all opponents that I would not be afraid to accidentally kill if I hold back, had a training session with me.

It also looked like new Black Skeletons were born in the fighting pits (those were a bunch of skeletons fought each other to evolve). I decided to check on the residents, and the number of Goblins, Hobgoblins, Ogres and Half Lords had increased quite a bit, and many other things required my attention.

Although I originally came back here on vacation, that would have to wait for there was much to be done.

Thanks to my clones, I was aware not only of external events, but also those within the Parabellum HQ. But as a leader, information is not enough to rule. It was a necessity to show myself and display my charisma and power to my employees. It was yet another task I had to accomplish.

I would have liked to immediately prepare another banquet with dragon meat cooked by the Sisters, but there were still many Parabellum members that had not yet returned to the base. We thus delayed the feast a bit.

Me and the Sisters happily began working on the best way to cook the dragon meat.

Day 263

I woke up covered in sweat and felt sticky. I was reunited with Blacksmith-san and for the first time in a long while, I had a hot night with Blacksmith-san and companions.

While I decided to bath into the [Fierce God] hot spring before starting the training, I wanted to try out the [Heat Absorption] skill. Having done so, the heat energy rushes within me, and I felt like I was dissolving into water. The test from this experiment of enjoyment has exceeded my expectations.

With, just "Fuuahhh", words cannot be conveyed, and my brain was dominated by happiness. In my mind, it was like I was dissolved in hot water.

Most likely, this was one of the most dangerous states upon my body. I, myself tried to get out of this situation, but I could not.

My mind fell apart and I fell into a trance. While Minokichi entered and saw me in this strange situation, Minokichi called out to me.

Receiving no answer, with one hand, Minokichi pulled me out of the water.

Once my mind returned back into my body, I stopped the [Heat Absorption] skill.

So I survived this crisis which was rather pathetic (which looked pretty stupid, so it was decided to keep this our little secret).

Yesterday was very busy, because the point of the conservation was to reconcile with the "Uninvited Guests" for which it was necessary to keep an eye on.

The "uninvited guests" were Tomboy Princess and Boy Knight.

Lulled to sleep by my poison, they suddenly appeared in two extra barrels.

In her words, "I wanted to look at the home of Aporou and his companions." But Aporou wouldn't allow them into the secret fortress. Thus she decided to secretly sneak inside! Having come to the conclusion, "while everything was going well, nobody would have thought that we would be put to sleep! We were sincerely waiting for the flight across the sky on a dragon!" but it turned out into something like this.

Pouting out her cheeks with a scorch deificating expression that is dissatisfied, she protested as she pounded on the table with both hands.

Apparently after we sent them back to the castle, they used a secret passage to the mansion, and during the time Aporou and his comrades were preparing for departure, Tomboy Princess and Boy Knight climbed into the luggage.

Judging by the expression floating on the face of the Boy Knight who was currently sweating, tried to persuade the Tomboy Princess, not to go, but it was a waste of effort.

I was too tired with continuous problems stacking up. Well, nothing can be done. Yet the Tomboy Princess was somewhat like a niece, but I cannot show it or she would become conceited. As the secret base was discovered, I was angry with her for a long time.

But I'd rather not be too angry and reflect upon the situation.

But should she cross a certain line, I'll have to get rid of the Tomboy Princess. And there will be no negotiations. For I have no pity towards enemies. But, after intimidating her, I would feel pity, such is my thought.

Well, after thinking about the reason that the Tomboy Princess cannot betray us and become our enemy, I was convinced, so it's useless thoughts.

Naturally, Tomboy Princess as a member of the royal family is well aware the danger posed by the Holy Kingdom.

The fact that at the center of this most sacred realm, we were making preparations for the campaign against the [Enemy of Peace] and [Insatiable Gluttony] (me) that kind of [Holy War].

And as befits [Holy War], all who oppose, considered accomplices [World of Evil], shall be destroyed.

As it happens, the Holy Kingdom will not be forgiving. Absorbing the earth, the Holy Kingdom will invade the land, consuming everything in its path. Holy Kingdom has much more power than this kingdom. There is a very large gap in the number of national forces and [Legendary Heroes], and even considering an alliance with the Empire, there is still a high probability of losing.

If we were to add here opposing the Lumen Holy Kingdom, the Atarakua Demon Empire and the Beast Kingdom, we may be able to avoid total destruction, but the damage will be very severe.

Because of this the Sternbild Kingdom simply cannot leave it unattended.

First of all, the damage from the civil war was quite large and has not recovered yet, so there is simply no choice.

From the perspective of the Kingdom, the relationship with me became the purpose of [Holy War].

Because the information is sometimes worth more than a mountain of gold. Thinking about the national interest as priority, there is an option to betray me. If I were an ordinary monster, the Tomboy Princess perhaps would have made a choice to betray me.

After the Tomboy Princess had seen enough of us and our work, then that choice no longer exists. In this I am sure of it.

Although she is still like a baby, with her ability to look into other people's hearts, she has quickly matured and collected a huge amount of information. No one was better than her in gathering information, and even if she did not have time she had intellect.

Therefore she knows what would happen if she betrays us.

As long as it's not a complete fool, the choice of betrayal was no longer possible from the beginning.

This time they didn't get things in order to gather information for treason but to learn about our fighting potential personally and make sure what the best to do for the good of the kingdom. Such were most likely her thoughts.

Well, there was some personal interest too.

Slightly anticipating what she was up to, I put the Tomboy Princess on my shoulder, pampering Opushii, as well as holding Nicola in a hand (daughter of Alchemist-san, the only human race of my children), and gave her a tour of our homebase.

Currently, our base has grown incomparable to the previous size.

Black Skeletons significantly reduces the amount of hard work, and have been here in an amount exceeding a few thousand. Moreover, many representatives of skilled race hve gathered.

Although I was not here for a few months, the use of labor to the maximum, has made the base grow so much that it completely engulfed the whole mountain.

It expanded greatly from the mine.

Roughly speaking, the former residence of our earlier "Former Mine" becomes the living quarters; allowing to carry out large-scale military exercise "External Training Field"; a place where agricultural dwarf and Doriane-san [field workers], took care of a variety of crops "Agricultural Field"; a place inhabited by tame horses, wolves and other riding pets,

as well as domesticated animals for food "Ranch"; a place where a variety of tools and weapons were manufactured "Workshop"; a place where it is constantly on duty healing the injured comrades, Seiji-kun "Hospital"; and as established for the elves "Parabellum Onsen".

All this greatly improved and greatly expanded, and now "Agricultural Field", for example, grew to such an extent that they are better described as "great agricultural fields," but now I better describe the new institution.

To begin, they cut down the annoying trees while the ground was compacted by Half Earth-Lords, so as not to fall apart, the summit became relatively flat this place has become "Airport".

Here, I have tamed flying familiars, such as Falaise Eagle, as well as designed the dragons, for each day bringing products from the great forests for export, and brought here, the goods that have been hard to find here.

Most of this space is an open platform, easy-to-take-off and land, but there were also buildings for the temporary storage of goods, pets and recreation personnel, and other devices.

One such device is scattered on the surface, like the web, the rails, etc.

These tracks were running, protected from the sun by the black skeletons of [Bone Trolley] through empowerment. The black skeletons serving material for their mass production, they not only had excellent characteristics and scalability, if they are given an order, they moved automatically to the right place, which was very convenient.

Large [Skeleton Train], at a time can transfer cargo of several tens of tons, without them, after a while we certainly would have started to have the delivery problem.

Incidentally, these rails were made with the help possessed by the dwarfs.

Originally, the dwarfs are order to obtain blacksmith materials which are mining minerals in the mine. They know that the residences are living in the cave so the means to carry such as human resources and sediment that mined has become necessary.

Using them as a prototype, by trial and error, it has been established, this system of rails and trolleys.

History has preserved quite a few examples of the use of such structures, because of their utility, they still have this kind of mines exist to this day.

When I was looking for a convenient way to transport goods on the basis, I was lucky, and among the dwarfs appeared familiar with the methods of construction and operation of rail and truck designs. I think I do not use [luck] there.

For this reason, dwarfs using black skeleton as the driving force, resulting in a lot of stress created this system.

At the moment, all the institutions on the basis of these rails were connected, which were very useful as a transport and freight.

Further, a place where to produce goods sold in our stores, which is called the "Factory". There are usually open to those who are recognized as an official member of the comrades who were allowed to bring family to the base, as well as those who lost limbs in battle, and those who not able to fight on the front line comrades, as well as black skeletons.

On the assembly line, the black skeleton, comrades and relatives, engaged in the production line, since they were more suited for this kind of work such as monitoring and commodity check.

Of course, it did not work very well related to some delicate magic potions, but whatever it was.

Receiving detailed instructions, the black skeletons showed jobs worthy as industrial machines for the manufactured goods they make are good quality that could be sold at a

cheap price, and the workflow is stable, which was a very solid source of income. From the opinion of using the Black skeletons that do not need rest, salary, and eat. I began to think that, they are suitable for the job in the "Factory", rather than for fighting.

Incidentally basic manufactured products were about the same as in the "Workshop".

Furthermore, there appeared as a result of a significant increase in the number of our member who lives in "Residential land".

Although now, a lot of friends were living in which we used as a shelter, the "Former Mine", but after our population has increased from a few dozen to a few thousand, "Residential Land" we have, has become essential mixed with variety tribes.

Thanks to this, various companies are to be found not only different in the material home, (wood, brick, stone, and even from the dense tissue), but even to be found at home, the living style of the Sternbild Kingdom, or Kirika Empire, or Atarakua Demon Empire or Beast Kingdom, a wide variety of design features were in the neighborhood.

And then if the style is the same, depending on the size of occupants, the houses sizes were very different.

Here live the representatives of various races, comparable in size with the Minotaur, respectively, and at home they were huge. But what is passing away, you could see a relatively small houses belonging to such Cat Fairies.

Despite the apparent chaos, there were all pretty well sorted, and the general atmosphere in the "Residential Land" has been very harmonious, and what it looked like a medium-sized city.

It's a major change.

Located around the mountain, which has become the center of our database, external areas were completely surrounded by huge solid, magic fortified walls, similar to the improved version of the one that was up before.

More from minor innovations, we have a "shopping street", where they sold food and necessary items and products that are useful for training. Well, it's not very important, because I'm covering the details.

So I walked around the base, it suddenly became a city.

Independently walking up here, I was really touched.

In addition, it took only a few months and everything is grown here. Honestly, I did not expect.

In normalilty, it is an impossible growth rate, because it development the first time. I can't helped but to think so. But gathered here, lived selected representatives of different races, with a maximum useful skills with abilities use in the right place, even more intensified due to my influence, the result came out this way.

Using black skeletons in the labor force, our homebase has become the fortress of the city. In the words of understanding, but in fact, it seems very illogical. Maybe I only think so.

"Well, good" Tomboy Princess said that with glee full blast. Oh well. The company, runs here and there, I spent the whole day with my lovely kids. That in itself makes this very day, not bad.

Day 264

Our comrades still haven't returned from their trip so we couldn't arrange a banquet yet.

So after we had already done the morning workout, we had to reassign the care of the former "uninvited guests," who became the "invited guests", Tomboy Princess to Auro and company, who were having a good relationship with her, and after that I secluded myself with the Sisters in the kitchen.

"It's not like that and it's not like this too" our debates are overlapping.

Because we have so many ingredients, we proceed to start our trial and error, and decide what to do in order to get the best dishes from the dragon meat.

But this is quite difficult.

What is the most delicious part of the dragon? What is the best method to cook it with? What are the missing ingredients? What kind of utensils and tools does this thing require? You must have a lot of things to know for this thing.

Because we have many things which we still lack of, it looks like we can't make an optimum way to cook this.

But we're not going to stop our efforts in trying to make the best meat of the dragon, even tastier.

Eating is life. Life is eating.

Since this is an important thing, it is clear that there is nothing better than something tasty.

Thus, we are able to invest our strength in this case.

I can't spend my time only with the Sisters, so I can't leave Blacksmith-san, Alchemist-san, Female Knight and Doriane-san alone.

Making a time to break, I come to their place and check their condition.

First, I will visit Blacksmith-san's place.

Blacksmith-san, by using a large variety of magical metal, my halberd was enhanced and improved to the extent that it couldn't be compared to its previous state. And, I judge many weapons, which was made by skillful dwarves.

At first glance, it was clear that her skills certainly increased, so much that she couldn't be compared with her previous stage. Surprised by her unexpected growth, we started the inspection of my comrades' equipment, and we inspected the mass produced equipment too, which would be sold in stores. After the inspection, I asked whether there were any problems.

In response, I have learned that before there was a problem with the delivery of a variety of metal magic, but thanks to the work of the service supply, at the moment it has been solved.

Personally, I wish that they, along with dwarves, continued to develop it furthermore, to ensure the quality.

In addition, Oniwaka (Blacksmith-san's son), is also interested in blacksmithing and during the lessons he made a knife.

It was his first time, so we cannot say his skill was good, but because you still need to learn from it, I also praised the knife.

But Oniwaka wasn't pleased with his work, and he hides that knife out of embarrassment.

Because of that, I laughed with Blacksmith-san.

Then, I proceed to Alchemist-san.

She was making magic potions that couldn't be made by the black skeletons in the "Factory".

Blending the solution, processing materials and entrusting to the others the production of some part, which anyone can do if they have an appropriate knowledge for that, she does the most important processes.

Among our products, comparatively to the expensive potions, the potions made by Alchemist-san are very popular. As expected, even though her potions were inferior to [Artifact]-class potions, her potions still sell so well.

I help as much as I can, and after that I will watch over them.

Alchemist-san's technique is undergoing extraordinary changes, and I'm never tired of admiring her making gently magic drugs items.

We can say that the woman at work has her own charm.

Next I went to the place of Redhead and Female Knight, who were training.

And, making them as pair, I make them train with me lightly.

Becoming a member of the [18 Demonic Warlords] and receiving the title of [Brilliant Mercy Righteous Knight] and [Red Deadly Fury], they are now able to fight with me, but only when I hold back.

Unlike Redhead, who received a very significant increase in her body capability, looks like Female knight gained the ability to control [The Light of Mercy], which can be used to the target mind and body.

Anyone touched by [Light of Mercy] will be robbed from their own strength. A type of ability which inflict Bad Status.

I tried it on myself, and it looks like the more time it took the effect would be more sever.

Gradually, it shaved my will to fight, and I felt like my power is going away from me.

The appearance of this light is like a noble golden aura that covers your entire body. If you see it for the first time, it is very difficult to determine if this light has a bad effect or not.

Deceived by this light appearance, maybe enemies will only lose more and more power the longer they fight.

In the battle, when the slightest difference in the state can decide the outcome, I find this ability very formidable.

For now she still handles [Light of Mercy] very poorly because she still inexperienced, but it's still capable to cover the prey and person body.

But when she becomes adapted to [Light of Mercy], probably she could extend the range of the spread.

Obviously, this it is necessary to be cautious to not make a friendly fire, but if she can control it very carefully, she can fight with a high-class opponent.

Personally, I have ways to counter it, but without it, Female Knight will become a very troublesome enemy.

The training continued for some time, and at the end Akitainu joined the training who become a member of the [18 Demon Warlords] [Loyal Samurai Dog] with Redhead and Female Knight. [King of Demonic Bears] Kumajirou and [Emperor Black Wolf] Kurosaburou also sprinkled with training.

Like Kumajirou and Kurosaburou, Akitainu evolved from [Kobold Samurai] in the [Kobold Shogun].

In the days of [Kobold Samurai], Akitainu was like a beastman with the upper part of the body like a middle-aged man. Becoming [Kobold Shogun], he had a vivid scarlet armor of black color in the old Japanese style, covering the entire body, a biological armor. His main weapon was the spear with a live cross, crescent-shaped tip.

However, his body resembles a much larger version of a conventional kobold.

Now his brutal appearance was more impressive then an average ogre.

Characteristic for predators, sharp look scoured in search of prey, sharp claws ripped the ground. If he howls, only by the sound, the weaklings will lose any fighting spirit.

But not strong enough to induce fear.

Not only possessing animal instincts and physical ability, but high intelligence, and outstanding combat technique, he can control other kobolds like his own hands with command ability.

With personal and command abilities Kobold Shogun, he could easily tear the Lords and dragonkin to death.

There were records about how Kobold shogun, leading the tens of thousands of fellow kobolds to destroy a small country.

He could not only cause huge damages, depleting the army of neighboring countries, but also depriving [the hero], contracts for the destruction of his hands, and his three companions, but before he dies he is still here walking around cracking jokes (he is wanted now in some places, the shogun)

In some cases, representatives of this race, even becoming dungeon, for example in one of the dungeons "A couple De Rama" a very high level.

That's just this very Akitainu in front of me, happily wagging tails and bright eyes glistened. He was bigger than me in size, but still, Akitainu for me looked like a friendly puppy.

His every action is simply affection to me. It was so touching.

In the days of the kobold samurai, it looked a little strange, but now it looks very similar to what it was, even hugging and patting does not cause strange moral contradictions.

Like a pet, Akitainu [Loyal Samurai Dog] until the Lord is loyal (in this case me) all his abilities significantly increased.

Before training, as a reward for his efforts in the service, I gave him a magical item, such as a long sword [ancient] class [War Wolf celestial moon], because of this training, among the five members who are participating the training, Akitainu was perhaps the strongest.

In a short time, he may well achieve power equal to a [legendary hero]. Many of his blows were quick and his punches are heavy.

Looking at the growth of Akitainu , my face broke into a smile in anticipation of [holy war].

Upon completion of training, I went to Doriane-san.

Today, I have come to dip in a hot spring, but I caught Father Elf , who is now taking oil massage.

I even thought that all his greatness was an illusion, because as his face was very relaxed.

Well it is better not to dig too deep.

Everyone has one or two weaknesses.

Having made a circle again, I sat down to study cooking, and then I went to the hot springs again. At this time, in order not to repeat the shameful mistakes, I just got into swimming.

Hot Springs are the best!

Day 265

Some of the comrades who were out of the forest, returned to the base today.

But some still remained missing. Because of the distance or because of the convenience they have taken missions. In general, the reasons were different.

I'm all tied up, and the latest group, without any error, will arrive in a few days.

Because we knew the details through contract, it was easy to make a plan, and we started training, so any time we can start a feast.

At this time, the participants have to order more so the workforces have excess because of the preparation was process without delay.

So I decided to finish first with the case, which was no less important than the banquet.

Put simply, a fighting festival championship.

As expected, the strength of our business - that's it! These thoughts still remained, because to determine the position of a fight is inevitable.

So far, the spread of forces was quite high, but the positions have simply no change.

Since, I decide not to miss the opportunity when gathering the comrades together so the tournament was held in the «external training field».

This time, the fighting involved only members of all significantly increased, thanks to this show was truly spectacular.

The result of the tournament:

1st Redhead
2nd Akita - name of Kobold Leader (Akitainu)
3rd Desolation Spirit Panda (Kumajirou)
4th Hell Cerberus (Kurosaburou)
5th Gladiator King
6th Female Knight
7th Fire Lord-kun
8th Female Samurai
9th Auro
10th Argento
11th Kumakichi
12th Ramura-san (first Lightning dragonewt)
13th Isuha-san (Lightning armored insectoid (might be the Female Mantis from Day 124 sidestory))
14th Monkey Boss
15th Rinbo-san (Dullahan)
16th Wind Lord-chan

And others. Such are the results.

Depending on the combinations of opponents, perhaps they would have been completely different, but still very reasonable result.

This time, I, Minokichi-kun as well as other [8 Demonic Generals], due to the obvious difference in strength, did not participate, and the Avenger and Rusty Iron Knight have not returned so the results came out that way.

I did not think Redhead would have won, she really has gotten herself stronger.

Of course there were other changes in the ranking of power, but still, it's all good will to increase our combat capability.

Due to the fact that there were a lot of participants, the festival battles lasted until late.

Day 266

Yesterday we had the individual battles. For today, for the sake of improving teamwork and leadership skills, matches will be formed in groups of 4, 9 and 49 with a commander. We have the team competition duel.

[ED: matches will be groups of the commander plus 4, 9 and 49 individual.]

The biggest was a battle of top 99 commanders of subordinates. In itself, this training was different from yesterday, a show of individual force.

In each of these battles, weapons and armor were made of wood, which grows in the great forest.

But with only this one material, it surpassed mediocre steel strength.

All particles of clones in the ear barrette were replaced by clones [violent god] that automatically blocked a deadly type of strokes, while if remained the slightest sign of life, will be cured by Seiji-kun and the company, because the battle would likely be very fierce.

Even in the battles 5 vs 5, at stake was the pride of the group and the more they fought, the more this same pride was at stake.

The last battle carried 100 vs 100. Here the most numerous goblins and hobgoblins mixed together, to fight head-on with ogres and the insectoid.

Riding the black wolves and Triple Horned Horses were Goblin and Hobgoblin riders, using their agility, loaded fast attack and thanks to the elves' skirmisher training, just shooting arrow on the mover, right in the opponent's vulnerabilities.

Frontal attack, heavily armed dragonewts and centaurs charged and smashed enemy ranks.

And to secure the front line, at the forefront of fighting, the Mages, arranging Air Sea flares appearing collision battle magic from rear to fought for destruction and annihilation

At the forefront the fractures were common. Broken teeth quite natural under the heavy blows which can even easily tear internal organs, unless you are lucky, you can easily lose your eyes from flying stones or fragments and was great chance to be crushed by the blast from the terrible spell in the air collisions. There might be an overwhelming body gap who were stepping on the body on the ground and get crushed, it often occurred.

It would not be surprising if they were dead. Moreover, normal, certainly it had to be several tens of corpses. But thanks to the strengthening of my clones, and excellent team work of Seiji-kun, despite the huge number of wounded, no one was killed. We're able to maintain the situation

Maybe this method was too cruel, but even without weapons, the result would have been exactly the same. For the leaders' group of 5 people and 10 people, yesterday promotion received its increase, it was their last test.

At first give the team randomly, to see whether they have the ability to reach the position but in the end, having gained combat experience, their management to take proper shape.

But as expected, most of the leaders, groups of 5 people and 10 people, were commanders in the day.

Although, many individuals have reached their limit but were not be able to [evolve]. They were many among the commanders group of 5 people and 10 people. They train themselves honing their skills by experience, rather than increasing its level. That is something cannot be measured in terms of level.

Go through this obstacle, I hope that they can get the skills worthy of their rank.

Incidentally, the present today, Father Elf and Daughter Elf had arrived at the time of our training and they were very shocked. As expected, Tomboy Princess and Boy Knight were just at a loss of words for such a spectacle.

Well, nothing to do.

Although it is barbaric, such training is essential.

Day 267

Before the morning workout. Only the sun has risen, so I went for a walk alone in the Kuuderun Great Forest.

Even by doing nothing, from just my presence, all the living animals fled in fear like cockroaches. So I freely visited many different places.

All of the great forest was already on my mental map, so it was easy to find all the places where I hunted.

The place where I first killed a Horned Rabbit, the place where I met Doriane-san, the place where I saved the kidnapped Daughter Elf. Everything was stored until I went to memorable places. Different memories flooded me.

At the same time I felt a kind of nostalgia, but it was something new.

All this is because, at the moment, the great forest has grown considerably.

Thanks to our natural hot springs magical power, the rate of growth of the great forest throughout the surrounding territory has increased significantly.

As a result, there was a race that appeared that was not there before, as well as senior representatives of the races that formerly lived here.

The number not only increased but also the quality, compared to the past, there is no doubt.

Now you can get the best materials here, and it is much easier to raise your level. For us to live here is not such a bad thing.

Moreover, due to this the probability that our base is detected has decreased.

Of course you need to watch out for adventurers who come to explore, but this is not a problem.

For a while, walking through the great changed landscape of the forest, I was curious and I looked into the cave in which we were born.

Arriving at the place, I silently crept to the entrance. I noticed almost no difference from the constitution of goblins that was here before to the small orcs that lived presently.

Apparently, after we moved to a new location, this place was left without owners, and was inhabited by roving orcs.

Watching them for a while, I realized that this tribe came here from the outside of the great forest.

In their conversation they slipped a mixed dialect that is unfamiliar language in this area. Besides, the small orcs were very weak subspecies of the race and having a natured personality, but they are rather skillful and intelligent.

Conventional orcs prefer raw meat, and small orcs eat fruits and berries, as well as soup made from roots and meat. That is, at least they are skillful enough to cook tasty (at least for small Orcs) food.

Preparing a meal on the fire is in itself quite a shocking ability, but in addition they made their own clothes and armor made of cloth and skins, produced by monsters, so they could hunt, as well as they used spears made of [Steel Rose Hips] long wooden sticks tied to rusty daggers. Which had their peaks covered with purple paralyzing venom.

After some observation, I noticed that their leader is a magician, and was slightly unusual. Maybe even a representative of the [Subspecies].

Becoming a furious god, for the sake of the orc version, I did not lift a finger, but by itself it looks quite interesting.

It is not known what will be in the future, so I left them with one of my clones for spying.

Also, I sent some newborn hobgoblins to spy them, because watching them can be quite interesting.

Perhaps if the orcs appeared here there might be other neighbors, who might be willing to trade with us or the elves. Therefore, I decided to look for other residents of the great forest.

I returned quite late to the base, and almost immediately went to sleep.

[History of the Legendary Brave Man [Shining Path of the Brave Fighting]: [Supporting Character] [Cavalier Defender] and [Usurper] have encountered [Main Character] Ace Sven Sigurd Avenger]

[[Yatendouji] activate ability [Fate Stealer]]

[The fate of [Cavalier Defender] and [Usurper] falls under the power of [Yatendouji]]

[[Cavalier Defender] confirmed to be in awakened state]

[[Usurper] confirmed to be in awakened state]

[Decision to release special abilities for both belongs to [Yatendouji]]

[Would you release them right now?]

"Yes/No"

This is...

Well for starters I chose "No".

Day 268

As usual, immediately after I went for a morning workout, to expend some energy, I had breakfast cooked by the sisters.

Finally, all of the missing groups returned to base.

The last group arrived was Avenger , Rusty Iron Knight , and Scarface . The reason for their delay was the mission to eliminate the bandits and dangerous monsters in a variety of places so it is fine.

During their return, they traveled through the small villages and towns. On the way, they destroyed 4 large gangs of robbers, two medium-sized clans of robbers, and killed 6 boss-level monsters as well as countless little things and small fry.

Not only that, on the way, they found a new dungeon and conquered it, bringing a large number of magical items.

It's all good, but I had little doubt about what to do with the detected message yesterday relating to its subsidiary characters.

Both of them are still children in their teens.

The [Cavalier Defender] was a blue-eyed blonde beautiful girl, and the [Usurper] was an unnecessary pale, emaciated ordinary boy, but his eyes were full of bright light.

In the words of the Avenger, when they were on the border during the regular raids to destroy the monsters, they accidentally rescued them from the den of monsters. They are likely to be eaten, apparently there are various and complicated circumstances.

For those reasons it would be necessary to deal with them.

At the moment, the pair more or less trusted Avenger and company, who saved them, but in relation to the rest, they were very wary. They didn't make a commotion, but are constantly on the lookout.

Well, maybe they're just afraid of us. For now I will leave it.

The kids may be worth something and send them to the Solitude group, so that they could become useful. Well for now, in order to prevent their betrayal, I put the ear clips on both of them, and just like the [Flame Witch] and [Merciful Maiden], put them as Avenger 's subordinates.

Once dealt with the troublesome talk, everyone finally came together, and we immediately started preparing for the banquet.

Although by large, almost everything has been done, there was only a mere trifle.

Before the evening we finished with this, and successfully started the holiday.

The food here was from the sea and all such, that even the nobles cannot always afford, the barrels are from a variety of well-known manufacturers stood in a row. These barrels were acquired and stored by the members who have veterans until now. The scale of the unrestricted binge unprecedented, the base was turned into a festival at once.

The banquet at the center of the number of participants is in the thousands scale and it was big enough to compared the banquet at the Royal Capital. Some time after the beginning, our homebase fell into chaos.

Accidentally, newcomers came were Father Elf, Daughter Elf, and some leaders of the elves, in which they did not have time to escape, and were involved in this festive commotion.

As a result, the feast lasted until morning.

Day 269

Once again, we drank the night away.

The surrounding scene was very similar, it was the same as at the house in the capital, except the group from the capital, Had gained experience from the drinking, and I knew how I should behave and deal with them.

I cannot say that they got used to it, but the rate they already knew was because I could easily instruct them to clean after the banquet, we also made our way through a field strewn with bodies who are were drunk on sake, we went to a [Hot Bath Fierce God].

At this time we went and Kanami-chan, who goes with us.

The [Hot Bath Fierce God] here was special, reserved only for management, as it was impossible to get there without authorization, or not being a special guest host (By me). In spite of this, the bath was divided by gender but we decided to enjoy a dip together.

The [Hot Bath Fierce God] not only can easily remove fatigue, but also had the effect of slightly increasing the magical force stored within the body.

During its use, it opened a superb view of the mountain morning that shows even more splendor.

We enjoyed a morning bath while one of the special guests came in, which was the Boy Knight .

The Boy Knight had a towel around his waist. Although he is still young (though when you consider that since my rebirth still less than a year), he had a trained body of a warrior, arms covered with rigid muscles, and there was not useless fat on the boy.

His broad shoulders show all the effort that he has put in his own development, and his sharp eyes were full of truth will.

He was still in the transition to adulthood, but I felt that the Boy Knight will definitely become very strong.

Maybe he felt tightness, due to the fact that I had so carefully considered, or noticed the presence Kanami-chan (8 of 9 that this is the reason) he blushed and quickly plunged almost entirely in [Hot Bath Fierce God].

Almost immediately, his face took on a blissful expression. For a while enjoying this paradise on earth, he turned to me and started talking.

In his words, the Tomboy Princess wanted to talk to me face to face. The Boy Knight came here in order to convey this message. Having come as a messenger of the court, while enjoying the hot springs, could suspect him of carelessness, but that's not important.

It is highly probable that this secret conversation will be related to the imminent [Holy War]. I thought it was time, so it wasn't much a surprise.

Pulling out of the item box [Sort of Demonic Alcohol [Lunar Cherry Drop]], pouring it into glasses, I drank with Kanami-chan.

Thinking about how all this sake will turn back, we have enjoyed an excellent drink.

After the Boy Knight left, we have some time to enjoy the hot springs, and then went to the meeting place tempted with Tomboy Princess.

The venue was the large building located in the "Residential Land". The size and luxury, one might think that here lives the royal family. It was my personal residence.

Though I personally like small cozy houses suited for a family of medium size, rather than huge ornate mansions.

But standing as the head, I have to be worthy of the residence.

The place of residence at a glance can tell you about the power and wealth of the owner.

Every comrade that submits to a neighbor living as they are will likely serve as living in a huge mansion.

So my house has become a huge mansion.

At the moment, I live here with Kanami-chan, Redhead , Blacksmith-san and the company of children.

Households engaged with maids and black skeleton, well leave it.

In this mansion, Tomboy Princess came exactly at the designated time.

Her hair was beautifully cleaned and her face has a little makeup. On her dress has design work, covered with precious stones, each the size of a finger. This outfit I've seen her a few times.

Radiating morale, Tomboy Princess enjoyed tea made by a high elf and ate sweets that successfully produced on the industrial scale, based from honey, fruits and berries collected in the great forest.

At the same time her face was no different from her usual self, she smiled broadly, enjoying the sweets.

Then she changed completely unexpected. Not only her posture, had her eyes become completely different. Now it was not like a niece.

Before me sat a representative of the royal family in the future, which had the biggest chance to become full-fledged queen, princess Rubiria Eisu Faure Shuterunberto. The conversation was long, but from the sum of it. From the Lumen Holy Kingdom, the request came to help in the removal of Obarou, the global enemy.

The Kingdom has just survived a civil war, but dismisses it almost impossible. Besides, the request that concerns eliminating the creation of the class [Divine Disaster]. To think of normally, continental scale had not afford for not to be participate. But making the Obarou with hostile is seriously unthinkable.

In this vein, the battle against the Holy kingdom looks much more realistic. But to do so it is impossible for the number given to.

I dispatch [Heroes] to reject the call of the Holy Kingdom] of the custom set and I would like you to have at least the royal [Heroes] safely returned. In exchange, I promise to inside information, and adequate remuneration.

Maybe the conversation was long, but considering that it was necessary to discuss ethnic relations, the economic situation, combat capabilities, personal conflicts, it was still quite short.

Although radiating royal aura, the Tomboy Princess , with her sour smile, because there was no discussion of the details so difficult, and quickly adopted the treaty.

Discussion of details and awards took only about an hour.

After that, the Tomboy Princess was exhausted more than usual.

Because both of us were exhausted from the long discussion we just had. The two of us decided to head to the [Hot Bath Fierce God] for relaxation.

Along the way to the bath we had met Kanami-chan and Boy Knight . Coincidentally after meeting Kanami-chan we also met Minokichi-kun after he had finished the training, along with Redhead and the company.

At the hot springs, we had a small continuation of the banquet. Afterwards each went about their own business.

I also have my duties, so I went to "Airport"

Then I sent envoys to various countries, and then engaged in routine work and finally got to bed.

[Currently the fate of [Witch of Mystic Flame] [Cavalier Defender] [Usurper] and [Merciful Maiden] belong to [Yatendouji]]

[[Mystical Flames Witch] confirmed to be in awakened state]

[[Merciful Maiden] confirmed to be in awakened state]

[[Cavalier Defender] confirmed to be in awakened state]

[[Usurper] confirmed to be in awakened state]

[Decision to release the special abilities for all belongs to [Yatendouji]]

[Would release them right now?]

"Yes or No"

Before, I typically chose "No". But this time, I probably will choose "Yes".

Although I have only known the four of them for a short amount of time. During my observations, the four have not given any signs of bad impression.

Especially, if they rebel, I can quickly suppress them, but in the future they will come in handy for combat potential.

["Yes" has been selected]

[Awakening [Usurper] confirmed]

[Awakening [Cavalier Defender] confirmed]

[History of the Legendary Brave Man [Shining Path of the Brave Fighting] the awakening of all the auxiliary characters confirmed]

[All abilities of [Mystical Flame Witch], [Merciful Saint], [Cavalier Defender], and [Usurper] will be released]

[History of the Legendary Brave Man [Shining Path of the Brave Fighting] enters the next stage]

Day 270

Yesterday I sent out messengers, they safely reached the Sternbild Kingdom, the Lumen Holy Kingdom, the Atarakua Demon Empire, and the Beast Kingdom, as well as a variety of smaller countries on the other side. As a result, the response was dramatic.

Because of the slightly scary content of this letter, small countries fell into chaos, and large countries like the Lumen Holy Kingdom and the Atarakua Demon Empire reacted very calmly.

As expected, the majority of messengers had been killed on the orders of the heads of state.

They were killed for the sake of a simple prank, but they are quite suitable for the analysis of the enemy's combat potential. It will be a good idea to send more messengers again, to those countries that had killed them for further analysis of their combat potential.

Well, I'll explain how neither one of the other day.

Now is the time to prepare for the [Holy War].

Therefore, in order to achieve our goals. We all left the base and went in different directions.

Some went to the Kingdom, some went to Labyrinth Cities, and some went to other countries.

Those who are gaining experience to a new level, those who have honed their skills in combat, and those who are entrusted with shops, trying to lift the sales, the goals were very different, but the overall objective was to prepare for the [Holy War].

Gathering for [Holy War], it threatened to become very fierce.

Therefore I tried to prepare as much as possible to raise our chances of winning.

Although regretting parting with [Hot Bath Fierce God], I, along with Kanami-chan and the kids returned to the house in the Sternbild Kingdom.

We returned by flying using Tatsushirou so we almost immediately got back.

Tomboy Princess enjoyed heartily her first flight in the sky and Boy Knight turned blue and shook the whole. Apparently the poor man had fear of heights.

This Princess forcefully dragged him to the window, which makes him a sour smile, and I prayed silently to myself that he's not sick.

Incidentally, in the Sternbild Kingdom's Royal Capital Osvel rejoiced almost the same team, but this time with us was Avenger and his 4 auxiliary characters.

From now on, I will personally engage in training Avenger.

Before, I was quite busy so Avenger traveled to many places, gaining experience by fighting with different monsters, but this came to an end.

Generalized Avenger day is not so far.

I intend to carry out enhanced training, so he can become strong in a short time.

Well, all this starting from tomorrow. So the rest are resting in house. We had nourished the excellent talent.

Today, I have to deal with the affairs of Skopje during my vacation.

With the Princess and the Boy Knight, I went to the palace, along with souvenirs for the First Queen. Then head buried in routine work, but as darkness fell, crawled into bed.

Tomorrow, there will be a lot of things going on. But there is a chance that a new snack and drink that I haven't tried yet will be available. So I will be looking forward to the meeting, specailly those snacks and drinks. Soon afterwards I have fallen fast asleep.

[History of the World [Dark Legends] sixth chapter [The Coming of the Divine Scourge Gluttony], the conditions of release executed by more than 1/3.

In fulfillment of the conditions of release, it was possible to promote.

The first paragraph of [The Aura of Thunder Demon], second paragraph [Saving Presence], third paragraph [Next Word Dragon], fourth paragraph [The Earth of Beginning].

Currently it is possible to release the world's history [Dark Legends] sixth chapter [Coming Divine Scourge Gluttony].

Do you want to release?

"<Yes> <No>"

This is...

Well for starters I chose "No".

Day 271

This morning wasn't refreshing at all

It was cloudy, and by afternoon, it seemed to be on the verge of raining.

Whether it will rain or not, we can't be so sure , but judging from my experience, it is better to act on the assumption that it will.

To execute previously signed contracts, from today, to shift some of their concerns on the assistants, I'll seriously train Avenger and company. I had planned to give them a devilish training match, but somehow nothing strange happened.

Because Avenger is the [Hero of the Sunlight], in such cases, it should be clear sunny weather.

Oh, does this not mean that dreams do not come true for Avenger.

If it happened to me, it becomes a problem. By signing the contract, if in the end all else fails, the whole plan will come to nothing.

Because this could not happen, for their sake, I will kill all human feelings I have and prepare their special menu.

In any case you need to prepare for Avenger and company, that all went smoothly. True, in fact once you do not know what might happen.

Due to the impending Holy War, be well prepare is much better, to be prepared for unexpected situations.

Therefore, in order to achieve our goal, it is necessary to change the workout plan if something were to happen. The spirit of the [God of Sunlight] also seems dim but was able to understand. It warned not to be careless, ambush is lurk in unexpected places.

As I thought about it, in the dark clouds overhead, a gap in thick occur; I withness a moment of light on the mansion insert the moning sun from there like the bay lighthouse.

You would think that the [God of Sunlight] thus decided to send me a message.

Naturally, there was a great chance of coincidence. Worldwide, this often happens without any reason. In addition, there would be okay for [Supreme God], but for the [Sun God] is unlikely to know about my thoughts and make a joke.

The blessing in this world, the [Gods] are not omnipotent.

Well, what would have been the truth, the mansion, only flooded with sunlight throughout the city, a pretty good show. Old landscape in a new light, I was a little touched.

Even the mood was better, enjoying the scene the most appropriate with Avenger and company, I decided to start the first phase of training.

After receiving such a gift, as expected "full speed ahead".

As I thought about it again, I delayed because of the clearance clouds. But my resolve has not changed from that.

Thus, I shone the morning workout to Avenger and company.

In addition, I received a report from the [Trade Demons], and it is going to rain , so first I need to at least make sure of their abilities.

Making sure is not difficult. From early morning till noon without a break, they had military training with me.

I alone against five.

As usual, even melee with me could become fatal but we have done without it.

Armed with my cursed spear, my red spear, the halberd improved by Blacksmith-san and created with the [supreme materialization equipment] guerrillas. With four spear style will be all right.

As expected, because of the severity and urgency [Hisperiol] that I returned to Avenger repulsing something other than red spears, was likely to damage the weapon, which is why trying to avoid it, I just took a couple of body blows.

I had certainly felt the hits I was taking, but because of the living armor, which absorbed most of the impact I did not received serious damage. But with an extremely strong Overlord body like mine, I do not even need to use any abilities.

The attack was not at full strength, but a pained expression appeared on the face of the Avenger, then he started to attack me even more. In response, I drove it in the red mud with a spear.

To sum up the purpose of the training. Avenger has become much stronger, as a [Hero] should, absorbing everything he was taught.

But I, too, became much stronger. The result of the match was obvious.

Having finished with my red spear attack, I almost unilaterally showered him with blows, covering his entire body a variety of serious wounds.

Although the fight was one-sided, if I were distracted by someone other than the Avenger, then the Avenger may have beaten me.In other words he has become stronger.

This time, all four of his companions launched their attacks at me but they were easily deflected by my three spears.

Each of them were hard and fast, but not enough to distract me, throwing flares and explosions, with my level, what they are doing will not distract me so there is no difference.

As I released yesterday's abilities, they received substantial overall gain, plus a huge racing opportunities in a particular area related to their specialization.

At this level, they are far superior than local monsters or royal elite. But with all this, it is still not even enough to leave me with a scratch.

They are still not hatched chicks. Anyway, I proceeded to mercilessly hammer them into the dirt.

At the moment because of the rain, I had stopped the training, the four exhausted, lying on the ground, bathed in sweat.

Avenger, although moving more or less was still on his feet, but lost nearly all his power and speed, and is in a pretty pathetic state. Despite that, the [Main Character of Psalm] and [Supporting Characters] showed strength and dignity .

I think they are very gifted with talent and tenacity.

So deal with it, I need to deal with other cases, because of which I was contacted by a demon trader. The capital we have left a few days ago for a time normally should not be any big changes.

Maximum "This product is necessary to raise the price" for example, or "invent a new outfit, whether to put up for sale?".

I thought so ...

Perhaps I underestimated the ability of trade demons.

Looking at the report, a satisfied smile appeared on my face.

Trade demon in such a short time managed to conclude an agreement with one extremely wealthy merchant and fully absorb his company and thanks to the work behind the scenes, was able to significantly expand our customer network, the extending reach right up to the neighboring countries.

As a result, store profit increased by five times which well reflected (paralleled) the state "Parabellum". And besides, its scope is still expanding.

There is a slight confusion as a result of the many changes, but thanks to the pre-written manual, chaos arose.

That was the report.

To begin with, the project for which a couple of years, thanks to the manipulation behind the scenes, all trade in the capital will go into our hands "The idea of trading a demon. The plan to seize the cash flows of the capital of the kingdom" was stopped.

Unfortunately it would not be very good in relation to the current owner (Tomboy Princess). If you perform it, it is not necessary here, you can do it on someone else's territory. Why antagonize friendly forces.

However, trapped in our possession, as a result of non-payment of debts, suicides owners or selling stores, I plan to use as the rest.

Returning to the theme "What is it? The horror! So an excellent worker, just terrible!".

Of course, this played a big part of me received by clones information about some fraudulent fees from the merchant, whose state has been absorbed, but the right to use such information without the noise plots and contrive, with all of these effectively driving after absorption, it's just terrible.

The shock was such as if a small company office suddenly became a huge corporation.

If the stamp of an industrial scale, the subjugation of the continent's economy would be possible. That's just their life, compared with ordinary people, rather small. Well, in that case it will be enough just to create new ones.

No, heredity still exists because it is necessary to think about many things.

Considering the changes in the plans, I looked at the pouring rain outside the window. Something he broke. Until tomorrow,it probably will not pass.

Falling into a sentimental mood, I took up the plan for the mass production of [Trade Demons].

I think a lot of things happening, and I can only pray for their victims.

Day 272

This morning the rain is pouring.

Well, if it happened, I, along with the Avenger and company went to a training ground where I used the [All Creation], to increase the force of gravity to 3 times its normal, in order to prepare it for today's exercise.

With the mud up to his knees while suffering through the piercing, spear-like rain, the Avenger will fight my newly created monsters.

These monsters are opponents I created as a result of combining [Lesser Summoning: undead] and [Lesser Summoning: Giants] with [black giant skeleton soldiers] and [black giant skeleton guard] as well as a [black giant skeleton archer].

They looked like giants made of black bones and about 4 meters in size.

I could create more, but in a residential area, I have to restrain myself.

Their awfully thick black bones from which they are made are not the least inferior in strength to steel, and not even a few dozen ordinary attacks will leave a scratch on them.

The [black giant skeleton soldiers] are armed with huge swords and shields. The [black bone skeleton guard], clad in armor, is wielding a huge shield and heavy armor. Finally there is a [black giant skeleton archer] with leather armor and a bow similar in size to a ballista.

This time, I'll manage them personally since their movement has slowed slightly, but in return, thanks my controlling them, they have come to represent a significant threat and will attack the Avenger and company.

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The result was a victory for the Avenger and company.

Quite an expected result, but considering the hostile environment, their losses were considerable in this case.

Terms were not one of those who should meet the body unprotected, because the Avenger and the company suffered a lot in the fight.

Avenger fought in the forefront; [Witch of Mystic Flame] gathered interfering rain and sent it to bomb the enemy; [Cavalier Keeper] using her high mobility and protection to covered comrades; [Usurper] with his abilities to weakened enemy's defense by taking the armor; [Merciful Maiden] treated wounded comrades.

But with all this, their coordination was still weak. After all, they only met a few days ago, so it's better not to expect much yet.

With experience their interaction will be better by increasing efficiency, increasing their combat capability, this is the purpose of combat training.

In the wake of the Giants' defeat, I used [Greater Summoning: Demonkin].

Starting with [Black Ogres] , [Black Orcs] before [Black Boar Orcs], and [Black Minotaurs], amounting to about a hundred.

Thanks to [Greater Summoning: Demonkin], except for a powerful body, summoned monsters are endowed with a sharp mind and armed with a magical artifact.

They have the ability to act independently, driving the Avenger and the company, but apart from that, when they die they give experience points, and leave behind Orbs that you can sell for a high price, bringing us even greater profits.

In addition, using the job [magician], I have strengthened some of them, so that the battle will not become too monotonous.

After a few hours of fierce battle over the arena, in pouring rain, there was a victorious battle cry. Naturally it came from Avenger and company.

Members initially distant to each other became real comrades.

I did a good job in simulating an actual battle scenario because if you relax here you die.

Thanks to well-chosen conditions, their actions were now harmonious, as if they have fought together for many years.

Avenger lost his beloved and remained alone, but now he has found true mates and has taken another step towards becoming [the hero of the sun], thus becoming stronger.

Lightly touched, thinking of them opening the gates of hell, I could not endow them with warm applause.

To begin with, the initial level of training with this is over, tomorrow we will have activities outside the capital.

Satisfied, I went to sleep.

[Scarface awakened to 18 Demon Warlords]

[Title "Annihilate the Body" will be sent]

[Female Samurai awakened to 18 Demon Warlords]

[Title "Sakura Samurai Trader, Royal Samurai" will be sent]

Falling asleep, I heard another announcement.

To begin with, Scarface I get, you can say that he does not lack ability, but what is this? Female Samurai is one of them, quite unexpected.

Day 273

As expected, the training of Avenger and others in the Royal Capital continues.

There was clear weather from the outset and because of this, we decided to go outside the city. When the preparations were finished, I decided to visit the shop to talk to the Female Samurai in person before setting off.

Yesterday she received the title of [Sakura Samurai Trader, Royal Samurai] and because of it, her fighting abilities have increased. As a Samurai Sakura, she can summon cherry blossoms which can be used to attack as well as to blind the enemy. It was quite an unexpected but useful ability.

The Dance of the Cherry Blossoms was quite a beautiful sight, and at the user's whim, the blossoms can acquire a magical metal hardness which could easily cut steel.

At the same time, they can form an attacking stream from a few hundred to tens of thousands of petals, like a tornado, wrapping around the victim.

In order to defend this overwhelming mass of an attack, you would need to have an exceptionally strong defense; otherwise, trying to avoid it would prove very difficult. At the moment however, the Female Samurai is still trying to get accustomed to controlling their complicated flight paths. If properly taken advantage of, it can become a solid combat capability in the future.

In addition [Sakura Samurai Trader, Royal Samurai] is also a "Trader", due to its ability to increase trade significantly.

"Trade" has generally increased her ability in all aspects of trade especially in acquiring the customer's trust and understanding what the customer wants. It has become quite useful.

Of course, while the demons traders are still better, I can't help but think of the potential to be understood in the future. Yes, indeed. The Female Samurai is quite a promising woman.

Speaking of Female Samurai; just recently, she pleaded to me, asking to "reassign me, please. I can no longer continue the trade domain like this". I wanted to acknowledge her wishes but I pin great hopes on it on this front and because of this, she would have to continue in the trade domain for now.

Naturally as a reward for bringing excellent results, I appointed a deputy in order to support the Female Samurai. Albeit, the deputy will only be around for as long as its life span allows it, but for now, it will do just fine.

Honestly, the fact that the [Master Swordswoman from an Unknown Land], being [Otherworlder] got into my [History] rather surprised me.

At the same time, I began to consider rthe possibility that the [Otherworlders] may be interwoven into the [History] [Characters Stories / Characters Awakened], just as the Female Samurai has been interwoven into mine.

[Otherworlders], by default, are stronger than the ordinary creatures of this world.

Of course, if you search hard enough, you can find a bunch of creatures that are stronger.

But all [Otherworlders] are strong without exception.

Although, maybe not. One of the [Otherworlder] that got caught by Female Samurai was strong, but he just let himself be killed by a surprise attack. I cannot remember if he even did anything mildly impressive.

Oh well.

For a start, [Otherworlders] are strong and quite tasty. Of course, knowing the taste of the [Flame Dragon Empress], one cannot be satisfied by it, but it does not change the fact that they are delicious.

With regard to [Heroes], everyone there have [Characters], I have grasped the fact that they have an incredibly fast rate of growth. That is, the [Otherworlders] that have become [mates] should be even tastier than usual [Otherworlders].

A very joyful discovery, but most of all I am glad that before approaching a holy war, we have increased combat capability.

As for Scarface, he got hold of a title [Annihilate the Body] and has changed more than during the [Evolution], acquiring a pretty brutal appearance. Well, with regard to it, I'll talk about that later.

After spending some time on cooking, I, along with Kanami-chan, Avenger and his company, 7 of them left the capital.

As for Redhead, she still has to look after Opushii, but this doesn't pass a lot of time, as for [Auro] and my other child, and this is no longer necessary. Because they have growth enough to look after themselves and they will join us.

Redhead, because of her profession job, which allows her to enhance the ability by eating monsters had grows quite easily. In the place where we were going, according to my calculations, her growth should go even faster.

Minokichi-kun ialready left to train, and the rest of the squad has something to do, so it will not be any problems.

After leaving the capital for some time, traveling to Skeleton Centipede of the highlands, we headed to a nearby forest.

Making his way among the overgrown trees, and making sure that we were not being followed, I called the Supreme Dragon Tatsushirou. He appeared rather quickly, as he was nearby, and together we flew toward the Labyrinth City Aquarium.

If you ask where the Labyrinth City Aquarium is, I will say that this is the city in which it is located, I conquered the Age of the Gods dungeon [Demigod of Spring Water : Aquarium Forlia].

Currently, the city is controlled by [Atarakua Demon Empire] and stays on its territory. This town is our goal, but in addition I have something what matters in the nearby kingdoms.

Due to high speed flight of the Supreme Dragon Tatsushirou we arrived in Labyrinth City Aquarium by lunchtime.

As usual, the noisy atmosphere of the city was pretty good, which is why I felt certain nostalgia.

And yet, perhaps because of the fact that I [Evolution (Rank Up)], this time I drew even more attention. But I just ignored everything and went about my business.

Why is it now people fell to their knees, not only representatives of the [Demonic] races, but even here and there? I noticed the silhouette of people praying. Communicate with them was very troublesome, so I just ignored them.

Walking through the streets filled with the voices of merchants smiling, sometimes I looked into some stores to but things, it really please me, and I went to the "Banjo But," in which I stayed before.

Although they take a huge fee for a simple room, but behind it they offer one of the most high-quality service throughout the Labyrinth City [Aquarium], because among the elite dungeon explorers, this place was popular.

At first I thought, what I should do if there were crowded, but luck was on my side, and I got a decent room.

After paying for one day, and having had dinner outside, we immediately went to the Forlia dungeon of the [Demigod of Spring Water].

Although, I say the conquest of the first floor will be engaged by only six people, not including me. [Kanami]-chan will be in the role of an observer, the conquest of the default was [Avenger] and his company. Until they are about to die, [Kanami]-chan will not interfere.

Well, with them was the Hero of Sunlight, so everything should be all right.

If not, then we will interfere. Well, I think that everything will turn out fine.

For starters, if they do not win [Warpidron] on the fifth floor before dinner, I told them not to come back. Before dinner, an additional 8 hours, and the shortest way through the floors, I explained to them. Without knowing the details, it would not be very easy, but if it didn't work after telling the shortest way, I will have to switch to a more stringent training.

But Avenger, the Witch fire field, merciful maiden currently quite have sufficient powers for such a reckless assault dungeon.

Of course there are some concerns about surprise attacks and traps, but I warned them about it.

Besides, the yet mature Cavalier Keeper and Usurper could cause problems were armed with decent magic items.

Cavalier Keeper got so high gain for protection, and Usurper item allows him to temporarily take away the ability of the enemy.

In the worst case, before they would die, [Kanami]-chan will help them, so I just have to wait for results.

Sending all the way to today, before the results will be, I have decided to end their cases that needed to be done.

Alone, I went into the dungeon "Demigod of Spring Water", reaching a point where I was sure that I was not being followed, I activated a teleportation circle (not: television reporter) who was available to those who had already conquered the dungeon.

Thanks to this, within the dungeon "Demigod of Spring Water", I can instantly move to any place at my will. Upon used, under my feet shone a circle of light, and then a moment later the field of view in an instant is switched

This time I went to the last floor.

That is the arena in which a huge amount of water falls from a giant waterfall, where I was waiting dungeon boss [Sharkhead Thunder Wyrm].

But I have not moved under the water, and the only one rising above the surface of a small island, which is some distance from the waterfall.

Straight ahead was the staircase leading from the 49th to the 50th floor.

But to her, without flying, it was impossible to reach. Since, the island beneath my feet was the only piece of land in this area, especially appeared at my teleportation.

Thinking how much it's convenient, I dived into the furiously raging water boiler. At the moment when I plunged into the water, my body was seized complex streams of water, which ruthlessly tried to blow me away. By moving the hands and feet, I regained freedom of movement. I myself will decide where I go.

This time, I did not use the ability of [underwater inhabitants], only the force of the body, I fought for the assertive torrent, which once again proves just how incredible physical strength of fierce god. It felt more like a swim in the pool with waves.

Water resistance, of course, has not disappeared, but the more I move the limbs, the easier I would go ahead. If I go with the flow, I can easily swim with an impress speed like a fish.

I thought it was funny, because for a while I was so amused, but my fun was interrupted by an attack of Sharkhead Thunder Wyrm. The first attack, a battle cry, he pulled me into a frontal.

his attack I've seen before, because it is quite easy to avoid, just by the movement of your own body.

Not only that, out of curiosity, I swam at that moment and come close to him and looked at him. Provoked by the enemy it fell into a rage.

As expected, the fight with the furious Sharkhead Thunder Wyrm was very difficult without the ability, but this time I activated significantly less capacity than before. And only with this, I was able to calmly watch his movements.

Then for fun, using the creation of suckers, I clung to his back, and for a while I let him rage (buck?). It felt like a roller coaster.

Now I'm more like a sucker fish. It would be nice if I can get an image of a remora.

And yet, to have so much fun toying with an enemy, with whom I once spent a hard battle, I begin to understand, what is the difference between my old and new body?

While these thoughts raced through my head, I began to disassemble it alive, absorbing domestic direct underwater. In return, I asked by the Sisters for the simple seasoning for cook, and yet enjoyed the underwater meal, which by itself is very entertaining experience.

The taste of the meat was a bit raw, but under the water, so it's even better.

Slightly playing with Sharkhead Thunder Wyrm by traveling. I usually cue it as serving belt, [shark rope].

Woven in black, blue and yellow ropes on contact beat lightning, this artifact [legendary] class can be used as a thunder whip.

Although it became a powerful melee weapons, but its real value comes when giving it a huge amount of mana, as I did this time was able to made the appeal of [Sharkhead bolt Wyrm].

The minimum amount of mana to summon was very large, but if it is now, it will not give problems.

Since then, I decided to make an experiment. This time, I put it in the belt 10 times more mana than necessary. Absorb it by the [shark rope] threw a huge lightning that started emitting a fierce light. Judging by the apparent, it is definitely not the most common response. There are signs that it was soon to explosion, but halfway through I could not stop, so I poured more mana. It explodes, well, to hell with it, heating their determination. However, this phenomenon came under drifting near Sharkhead apparently was unable to sustain.

In the place where his body was hit by lightning, dragon scales was torn breaking his body down to the guts, but because of the electrical discharge his body violently beat in convulsions, then it is even more furiously raged.

At a time when the dragon scales was broken, I slipped off his body.

It was enough for Sharkhead to break the distance between us. Just a moment, he had sailed far enough.

That's just called [shark rope] phenomenon has ended.

[Magical items [legendary] Class [calling lightning shark rope] conditions for exemption [use living god], [demonic hammer living god] [Transcendental Shipping] made]

[[Calling lightning shark rope] becomes [calling lightning black dragon [Demonic shark rope Thunder Dragon]]

Such is the announcement sounded in my head.

Let's see what did happen, I looked at the rope shark, shark became demonic rope, seemingly its shape is not particularly changed, only now it has intertwined red, silver and gold rope the new three color, and now it does not consist of 3 colours but 6 colours like six knitting.

As it became softer and more pleasant to the touch. Covered with black lightning, and the strength of its much higher.

Until I saw the changes finished then I finally summon the Sharkhead.

At present, out of a huge black crack that seemed ripped space, there was a huge black head demonic dragon shark.

Head of black demonic dragon Sharkhead was crowned with sharp horns and a dragon covered with durable black dragon scales. It looked much more brutal than usual Sharkhead Wyrm. His glowing red eyes reflect your thirst production.

At the moment when his head began to move, the space around the black hole, from which it appeared, covered with cracks, and then the huge jaws bit into it, even wider tearing a hole in space. Until such time as the whole bodies appear, it seemed to have taken a few tens of seconds.

This period of time in combat could be fatal because is defenseless but Sharkhead Wyrm did not take advantage.

His entire body ached greatly from fear, it seem purely scare. Well, there's nothing you can do about it. The fact that [Mortal Sharkhead bolt black dragon] was the superior form of Sharkhead.

Most likely due to the fact that it originally came from the kind of Sharkheads, the structure of their bodies were quite similar. That's just because of the various changes to strengthen, now he looks like a completely different creature.

The mere difference in size is more than 2 times.

Since I called Sharkhead black dragon that it is fighting now.

In the end, absolutely terrified Sharkhead Wyrm from despair attacked frontally, who push for it, in all respects superior to his black dragon shark.

But against such an opponent, Sharkhead Wyrm naturally could not resist and was killed almost instantly.

Unfortunately, Sharkhead dragon after mutilating the Wyrm, he swallowed it whole, because the body was consumed I was unable to collect anything.

[Dungeon boss [Sharkhead Thunder Wyrm] successfully eliminated]

Performer [Yatendouji], passes a second time, because the divine power will not be played, as a reward for passing will be sent to [Large Box Spring Water Dungeon]

[Conforming to the conditions, it is possible to seize the 【Aquarium Forlia】]

[Will you do so?]

[≪YES≫ ≪NO≫]

Hearing the warning in mind, I chose without hesitation, "Yes"

[Special Ability 【Dungeon Plunder】 has been invoked.]

At this moment, control of the [Aquarium Forlia] will shift from the 【Demigod of Spring Water】 to Yatendouji]

［From now on, please manage the Dungeon at your own discretion］

With this goal successfully achieved today.

Preparing for a holy war has only just begun, but you can call this result a good sign.

To begin rename dungeon "Funeral boiler Falls" (* in fact he is not crying the boiler falls repose of the souls, but let it be as a mountain and buried *).

The structure of the dungeons, I particularly did not change. But it has significantly strengthened the bosses, as well as adding a new kind of squaloid Fishman and added all sorts of obstacles to the conquerors.

The journey was a moment, but when I got outside, it was evening already.

It took longer than I thought apparently, after contacting Kanami-chan and company, I went to meet them.

Dinner was late a little. While we enjoyed it, I decided to learn the details of their campaign.

In fact, it turned out that they had defeat [Warpidron] safely. With a smile on his face showed me a box with treasures.

However, the campaign was very cruel. Driven by a kick in the butt from Kanami-chan, they fought all the time at all without a break.

In gratitude for the hard work, thinking about tomorrow's even more hard training, I did a simple massage for [Avenger] and companies. At such moments, especially good at helping manufactured [Doriane]-san, massage oil. By tomorrow weariness will evaporate.

We do a variety of things then Kanami-chan and I slept soundly.

Day 274

After a delicious breakfast, we left the Labyrinth City [Aquarium] with some regret behind.

Just like usual, having passed some time riding [Skeleton Centipede] then go deep a bit into the woods, we move on to Tatsushirou [Ancient Flame Dragon].

This time, the destination is set within the territory of Atarakua Demon Empire; 【Age of the Gods dungeon】 a [Demigod] Class.

【Museum of Stone Sculpture】

【Museum of Stone Sculpture】, belongs to an underground type and located in the Labyrinth City 【Stonehenge】. Although its location is on the territory of the Atarakua Demon Empire, but it's rather closer to the Kingdom of Beastman. If we move along the ground, getting there is problematic because of the difficult terrain.

In addition, to the approximated areas located near to the 2 dungeon's exits, there were monsters that have very troublesome abilities.

I myself was not yet here, but because of my scouting clones, a map of this area is already deposited in my head. Because of that, it was possible to get there with the shortest route.

Moreover, we don't have traverse the ground, considering all the troubles associated with the landscape.

I did think of it before, but, as expected from the Atarakua Demon Empire. Residents are mainly representatives of the demonic races and races of fairies.

Riding Tatsushirou [Ancient Flame Dragon] flying straight across the border, pretty soon there was a chase for/after us. We were chased by an organized group of several dozen of people that sit on birds and people with wings that belong to the race of flying demons.

Since at the national border, they have followed us. Probably guards of the demonic empire. They were armed with equipment designed to capture, so I'm pretty sure they belong to demonic empire,.

They used a formation that gives the most effective for chase, due to all the forces trying to catch up with us.

Of course Tatsushirou [Ancient Flame Dragon] is not as fast as [Wind Dragons] or [Storm Dragons], specializing in flight speed, but because of its high initial settings and effects were added here from my protection, it cannot be called as slow.

Spruce-fir, but still keeping up with him when he is flying at cruising speeds. They do have some skill to keep up with the chase.

But this pursuit is still small. To fly at full speed, you can't do that so easily, because fatigue will accumulates instantly. Even from a distance, you could see their desperate views .

Even for the elite, just following us was already reaching their limits.

Well, just I don't understand them.

Well, if they were to catch up with us in a tired state, in a battle with Tatsushirou they'll instantly die. They themselves should understand this as well. Still, they are trying to follow us. That's the spirit!

Trying to think about their suicidal tendencies, the reason has emerged quite quickly.

The reason was me.

They actually sent me a message, or rather to deliver my message I created [Summon Greater Dragon: Black Dragons].

Infected them with [Parasite], after they successfully fulfilled their mission, as a warning, I made them a little aggressive.

This was necessary in order to scout the combat potential of the other countries that I have completely failed to estimate. Then, in the Atarakua Demon Empire and neighboring Beastman Kingdom, the black dragons were killed relatively quickly, and they have caused minimum damage.

For other kingdoms, it was perhaps hard, because once they're a little aggressive, I stopped them.

As expected, even I do not want a meaningless genocide.

Thus, from the moment of that day have passed so it is quite natural that the neighboring countries have strengthened security at the borders more than ever.

I've been wedged carelessly. The fact that it happened so nothing came be done. If we stopped at a high speed limit, this would not be, even if they have found. Frankly, I underestimated them lightly, so I need to rethink it.

That is, they didn't persecute us for battle, but in order to know where we're going.

Chances are, if we attack them, they will scatter in different directions, and when flying further, they will take up the chase again.

This is certainly a good thing that they are so serious about thier job, but for me an unnecessary hassle. I threatened them because they were starting to get annoying, using the [Lord of All Elements] I dropped them.

Although so they are not broken by using wind and gravity, I have created on their way to a zone of turbulence, having flown into which they hung in the air. But with all this, there

was one, a person liability which could still break through. Well, I pressed him a little harder and he also fell.

All of them remained intact, almost immediately return to embed, but to follow us on such a distance is impossible.

Despite this incident, just after noon, we arrived safely in the vicinity of 【Stonehenge】

Deciding the position that Tatsushirou would better not appear too close, we got off the dragon and hopped on the ground and took out the [Skeleton Centipede] and thanks to this we were able to see good scenery.

A valley surrounded by mountains. On which scattered boulders and overgrown with greenery in the middle, where on a wide plateau, towering walls of the Labyrinth City 【Stonehenge】

We immediately went to the huge stone gate and stood in line to get inside. Since the queue was not as big compared to other places, we pretty quickly got inside.

The check at the gate was pretty strict, but most of our stuff was in my item box, because we are not faced with special problems such as the confiscation of our luggage. If we have such problems, I could just fly into the city at night. But fortunately I did not have to.

The first thing that I realized, after i came into the city,was the fact that it was the first city of those that I have seen in this world,

A city where all the houses were built entirely of stone.

There were buildings, made from a boulder, and the structure assembled from many small stones, but there wasn't any one are made up of wood.

All this is because of the special situation of 【Stonehenge】 because of the surrounding landscape building a wooden house was too luxurious, even for the nobility, and the stone, in turn, has been around in excess.

Well, let us leave aside these reasons, in general, all the houses in the city were built entirely of stone.

The second distinguishing feature was that all the people were very muscular.

Of course, the conquerors of dungeons it was quite normal, and sellers in shops were mostly macho men type had a very muscular body.

In the city there were many representatives of different races. I came across animal-gnomes, giants and demons, and the vast majority of them were huge.

One reason for this was the fact that most of the monsters in 3 cities located in the labyrinths (【Museum of Stone Sculpture】 and 2 underground outcome) had stone bodies.

A stone monsters was very resistant against thrusting and cutting weapon, such as swords and spears, because the main weapon used here were heavy weapons like a mace or hammer.

Besides, a lot of people here are working at the quarry so in order to move the heavy stone slabs, they just need to train their body.

Thus, the locals were very athletic lifestyle, which is why my first impression was, "such a sweaty town."

Well, whatever it was, quickly doing away with the preparations, we immediately went to the 【Museum of Stone Sculpture】 because we have very little time.

【Museum of Stone Sculpture】 on the inside resembles huge ancient ruins.

The width of the corridor can easily disperse a few people, the ceiling was also quite high. The ceiling had grown minerals, emitting a dim light illuminating the corridors.

According to him the Avenger and the company with the battle progressed deeper.

At this time the head of the group was Avenger with Kanami-chan at the back to support them from the rear.

After a few tens of meters, we've come to a fork in the road. Avenger unhesitatingly turned to the right and after a while we met the first monsters

[Rigidly Built Stone Wolf], the living stone statue that looks like a wolf.

About the size of [Black Wolf], it is normal for the size of a wolf.

The body is made of gray stone, because of the stone it move rather slowly, but instead it weighs quite a lot, because of that he gets a very powerful breakthrough.

Even if completely block the attack with a shield, just relax, and it will break easily.

And there are just 30 monsters. But since now still have our support, to deal with them was no problems.

From the back rows of the [alpha male wolf royal stone].

Well, anyway, they were almost immediately destroyed.

Indeed, made of stone, chopping them is very difficult. But having enough agility and skills, they are just slow opponents.

As expected, Avenger and company is not so weak to get into difficulty with such an adversary.

After that we've got [bats clattering stones] flying through the corridors, [wild boar crushing stones] partition off walkways, deftly holding the sword [the stone statue of the Knights] and other stone monsters preying on which we truly move forward.

Incidentally, there are quite a few different types of monsters, and all because they are all creations [Demigod stone statues], which have been repeatedly copied.

And all the 【Museum of Stone Sculpture】 is more like a place where 【Demigod of Stone Statues】 decided to boast the strongest of them to be created. In this I am almost certain.

According to my information, 【Museum of Stone Sculpture】 underground type, has a total of 20 floors, which is very small, and if it is fair to say, among the dungeons of the class [Demigod]. This dungeon's complexity is considered quite low.

This place, even in comparison does not go with the 【Funeral boiler Falls】 which I first conquered alone, since that dungeon closer to the class of [God] than to the class of [Demigod].

Because, even though there really are very annoying monsters, but to deal with them is not so difficult, and there aren't alot of traps.

Bosses are on floors 5, 10 and 15 floors, but the structure of stories does not change a lot, and usually, the structure of the dungeon is rarely so complicated, in this dungeon, even quite experienced explorers may well get very deeply lost.

Because of this, a few hours later we were able to get to the boss on the 5th floor.

The Boss of the fifth floor [Majestic Statue Tahiti] was waiting for us in the middle of the room before we entered it.

The [Majestic Statue Tahiti] made out of white stone, without a single dirty spot, a statue of a man with curly soft facial features.

The clothes are not made for him, his body was like a living organism, it exudes strength and at the same time, beauty.

This is the most [Majestic Statue Tahiti] was at the height of 5 meters, and his weapon was a sling. Its solid body was invulnerable to conventional attacks and at the same time has a high speed, and with the help of a sling, he was able to use ranged attacks, which made it quite troublesome opponent.

[Boss floor [Majestic Statue Tahiti] successfully removed]

[For performers it recognized the right of further progress, continue to the boss floor [Majestic Statue Tahiti] will be available with a choice of promotion without a fight]

[Performers as a bonus for the first elimination of the boss will be sent a box of treasure [Agatemiya Giant Statue]]

Well, Avenger and company took about ten minutes to eliminate it.

Many have suffered it. You could say that [Majestic Statue Tahiti] tried to be nice.

So, in a normal, after the battle with the boss, we would take a break.

Before they fight other monsters, they are typically reduced mana, strength, rest. And though no one not hurt, there is still need to relax a little bit yes.

Here the only time they can rest while I taking the corpse [Majestic Statue Tahiti], along with a box of treasures received a reward for the elimination and sent it all in his item box To restore their strength and mana by using potions and using their abilities just like that sent them off to slaughter all monsters fall on the road.

The young [usurper] quietly began to resent but I just ignored it.

The only problem is, there is almost no monsters meat to eat.

Well, yes, because the statue was made up of stone.

Day 275

Yesterday we fought without sleep and so we were able to get to the 10th floor boss [Gorgeous Verberas].

In contrast to the 5th floor where the boss was [Majestic Statue Tahiti] who represented the statue of a naked man, [Gorgeous Verberas] was made in the image of the [Heroine] and the beauty of the past Verberas Anbasugortsedo.

Equiped with a garment like a toga worn in ancient Rome, in her right hand she held a rapier - estoque, decorated with ornaments in the form of a rose, while in her left hand she held a weapon like an ax or machete, decorated with ornaments in the form of a snake.

With beauty she devoured the people like a poisonous snake.

On both sides of the [Glorious Verberas] were its defenders [Golden Lion] and [Mercury Tiger], fully obeying her commands.

Despite the snowy white stone from which it was made of, and the expensive ornaments on its arms, the defense force was quite bleak, however the [Gorgeous Verberas] had a special talent. The defenders, [Golden Lion] and [Mercury Tiger] were also just huge statues, though with their speed and strength, they were pretty strong.

Well, usually, it was already quite enough for us.

Several times faster than conventional a lion and a tiger, with a few tens of times heavier, an ordinary attack is not something that will even leave a scratch on them so our weapons were the one that took damage insteand. It is easy to imagine how much they are difficult opponents .

In addition, while the [Gorgeous Verberas] alive, the [Golden Lion] and [Mercury Tiger] is constantly restored, and she can use stage 4 stones magic.

The owner plus the two animals - were a well-balanced team, and were to be a difficult opponent. Apart from the winners [Majestic Statue Tahiti], explorers most of the time stop in their tracks at this boss.

But still, Avenger and company successfully won the fight.

[Dungeon boss [Gorgeous Verberas] successfully eliminated]

[For performers recognized the right of further progress, continue to the boss floor [Gorgeous Verberas] will be available with a choice of promotion without a fight]

[Performers, as a bonus for the first elimination of the boss, will be sent a box of treasure [Booty Battle of the Virgin]]

Collecting fragments of [Gorgeous Verberas] that appeared in treasure box, again without rest we went forward, jamming the road with dried entrails Akulogolovogo that attacked us..

By evening we got to the waiting room of the boss of 15 floors, the [Real Estate Moay].

Here are just a result of such reckless march for equipment, Avenger and company became apparent significant damage. (it became apparent that they deal alot more dmg with new equipment?) (Here becomes the result of such a reckless march apparent, Avenger and company equipment is significantly damaged.)

As expected the [Sacred Treasure] Hisperiol was as good as new, but the rest of the equipment was covered with mud and various scratches. Among them were those that were in a continuous state of operation that in the end came into a state that became not able to repair epairable. Staff of the Witch and the mace of the Virgin were still fit for battle, and others things in the middle of the campaign have been replaced by dropped equipment from monsters.

Because the monsters are basically a work of art here, a weapons that you can get from them are pretty valuable, as even a [rare] magic item can possess high enough performance that is suited for use.

Having dealt with the preparations, we entered the boss room.

In the center of the huge room, with a ceiling at a height of 100 meters, towered a huge stone head.

Made of silver mineral [Real Estate Moay] looked like elongated vertical head height by 6 meters. Also its head was supported something like the neck, but there was no trace of the arms or shoulders.

Despite such a grotesque appearance, the battle with him was unexpectedly difficult.

The major attacks [Real Estate Moay] were rays that it emits from the eyes and mouth, he spit stone bullets, fire beams and sound waves; besides using stones magic , or trying to hit his opponent as well as the emitted high-frequency vibration, blowing through the land like a wave.

Although, as expected of real estate, he stood on the site, but to compensate for blind spots of [Real Estate Moay] quickly spun. Because for the "Real", he was pretty smart.

Whatever we were trying to distract him on the forefront, and sneak up on him from behind, almost instantly received the counter attack from him.

Silver mineral, was the most durable of those that we have met here, and also had a strong resistance to magic, because of that the battle is quite long.

[Boss floor [Real Estate Moay] successfully eliminated]

[For performers it recognized the right of further progress, continue to the boss floor [Real Estate Moay] will be available with a choice of promotion without a fight]

[Performers as a bonus for the first elimination of the boss will be sent a box of treasure [The Person of the Living Stone]]

The battle lasted until night was well won. But the condition of Avenger and company was already in the aisle, as expected just so they will not be able to continue.

It is still hard to fight 2 bosses floor in one day. Considering not only the boss, but also the monster on the way to the floors, there is nothing to be done about it.

Having reached this far, thanks to the typing experience their level has increased significantly, resulting in Avenger and company has become much stronger than before. If they had made themselves to continue increase their ability they would have sufficed.

But still, there is a limit. Because right now in front on the 16th floor, the best moment to relax.

To fill the stomach with delicious food and lay down to sleep.

To recover their power I gave them enough food, and for the treatment of pain in the muscles using massages oil because I'm waiting for them to have even greater success tomorrow.

Day 276

We resumed our dungeon conquest early in the morning today.

However, as expected; the complexity of the next five floors are on a whole different level compared to previous levels.

After all, if a lot of key figures manage to conquer this dungeon and hog portion of the [[Divine Power] of the [Demigod of Stone Statues]], it will cause a serious problem. So from here on, this dungeon seriously intend to kill intruders.

Here lives [Exploding Stone Balls] monsters which roll at high speed and roaming the tunnels. [Cruel Stone Master Boxer] which looks like professional heavyweight boxers when striking with its stone hands; [Connected Stones Snakes] which are huge interconnected moving boulders shaped like a snake, and other powerful monsters. (Onix :D)

Among these floors, we faced a monster competing in power with the floor boss. A giant lizard with a mouth capable of swallowing a man whole. It had huge overgrown hind legs and a tail topped with spikes; it was the [Strong Lizard Huge Rocks "Great T-Rex"]. Not only have the strength of emerging monsters increased, but also the strength of minerals that they are made of as well, and they now have an assortment of abilities.

It looks more and more like the previous part of the labyrinth was weakened on purpose so the owner could show off their favorite statues.

The remaining floors put together all the of strongest monsters that the dungeon had. Immediately there were instant activation death traps, which were not present before and there were a lot of them which only supports that my hypothesis is correct.

But still, we moved on.

One can see the lectures that I held at regular intervals have started having results. In addition [Heroes] have a fairly fast growth rate, like I stated before.

Beside receiving growth correction from me, Avenger and company held very interesting potential, and to polish it, it was necessary to have many battles one after the other.

In a place where you can die if you relax for even a moment, this fighting experience significantly affects the results of training, increasing their growth rate, and quickly increases the level (amount?) of experience absorbed, making what was previously impossible, possible.

Even though Kanami-chan and I supported them, the fact was they already had sufficient forces to fight immediately and independently.

Because of this, a little past noon, we got to the boss room of ["Gorgon"] [Female Demon With Hair of Snakes and Stone Shield]. The final boss of the 【Museum of Stone Sculpture 】 [Gorgon] was an incredibly attractive woman with snakes for hair, who look like a demon celebrity. The snow-white statue was spotless, and the carving was performed so delicately that even when not moving, it gives off the illusion of graceful movement. On her beautiful face shone a smile of kindness, but her snake-like hair bared its fangs and hissed like a carving production. This bombshell statue had the height of 170 centimeters (5'5) and was wearing [Gorgeous Verberas], revealing clothing similar to the ancient Roman Togas and her smooth legs protruding from under the clothes looked so sexy that it was hard to look away .

Despite the fact that she was a statue, her appearance was very arousing. Looking at her beauty I suddenly retorted, "As expected from the masterpiece of a [Demigod]." (I imagine Rou having a silly look on his face, while drooling due to his arousal by this statue O.O)

Slightly enchanted; I got a kick from Kanami-chan, who did not seem pleased. Well, her kick was justified.

Even though this room was intended for only the battle with the boss, the space extended to 200 plus meters; the appearance was that of a temple. The room is filled with loads of huge columns, which created a lot of blind spots within the room, making it difficult to aim within in room.

Since it was too troublesome, I temporarily entrusted the battle to Avenger and the Company.

During the battle, the Avenger and his company, against the initially unarmed [Gorgon]. The Gorgon summoned several two-meter stone shields; as one would expect from it being mentioned in her title. These shields did not obey gravity, hovering in the air and obeying the will of the [Gorgon]. The [Gorgon] defended attacks with these shields and after these shield accumulated enough speed, slammed toward her opponent; dealing a destructive blow using the shield's weight. These shields made the fight more complicated, and utilized the blindspots.

After just a moment of being lost sight of, these shield will fly at the enemy from a blind spot; an attack that is very difficult to stop by itself.

Because of this Avenger and company suffered significantly more injuries than the previous conquests. These attacks started reaching me and Kanami-chan in the back rows. If Avenger and company end up losing, they cannot accomplish our goal which is to seize the 【Museum of Stone Sculpture】, because we cannot afford to lose, I had to get serious in this fight.

I activated [Overwhelming Power of the Black Demon], [Divine Destruction of the Black Demon], [Fiery Dragon's Blood], [Vibrating Crystal Wave], and [Frontal Breakthrough] at the same time. In addition, the ability of shocking multi-attacks [Three Steps of Destruction].

Everything that I can use, I activated, then immediately went and hit [Gorgon] in the stomach. At this point, there is a burst of flashing light which blinded the eyes and the

space around swept with a shock wave that made it seem like all the air is gone due to the power of the hit.

[Dungeon boss [Gorgon] successfully eliminated]

[Performers, as a bonus for the first elimination of the boss, will be sent the treasure chest 【The Queen Stone Statues】]

[As a privilege for conquering, the ban on the use of the Warp Gate is lifted]

[Please note that only those who conquered the dungeon can use the Warp Gate]

[For those who have Awakened the Psalms／The key figures of God's Lost Psalms, a part of the 【Demigod of Stone Statues】's divine power will be granted]

[As the collector is an important figure of a Greater God, the quality of the Divine Power collected will be inferior]

[Portions of the Divine Power rejected by this rule will be turned into an object]

[Yatendouji has obtained 【Instruments of the Demigod of Stone Statues】 !!!]

[Conforming to the conditions, it is possible to seize the 【Museum of Stone Sculpture】]

[Will you do so?]

[≪YES≫ ≪NO≫]

Thus, it was over in an instant. The resulting [Divine Power] become 【Instruments of the Demigod of Stone Statues】, which looked like a hammer with chisels bonded together

with a conductor chain, which I obtained by taking it together with the treasure box that appears after clicking on "Yes".

［Special Ability 【Dungeon Plunder】 has been invoked.］

At this moment, control of the 【Museum of Stone Sculpture】 will shift from the 【Demigod of Stone Statues】 to Yatendouji］

［From now on, please manage the Dungeon at your own discretion］

Thus, we accomplished our goal here. because we were just starting, everything is easy to inspect.

I double checked the fight zone to make sure that the [Gorgon] was destroyed, as expected not even a dust from her remain. So it was impossible to collect her carcass. In addition, the explosion of my punch had destroyed much of the boss room, enough that it only resembled a speckle of its former beauty; the room now resemble a dusty ruin. Moreover, the room was now much wider, due to a huge hole forming on the wall of the maze, the same walls that were made of a material that was even tough to scratch. Also, Kanami-chan froze Avenger and company with ice magic to protect them from the explosion, but because of that they are temporarily unable to move.

Kanami-chan was the only unscathed person other than me. Her expression was showed a little anger, "Well, you've overdone it again!" but she still remained just as beautiful, in fact, it even makes it sweeter.

Despite the fact that this is a closed space, which was made it a pretty cruel bombing of my comrades. Well, this time she was able to protect them but maybe next time things won't work well, I would have killed not only the enemy, but also allies.

I should not blindly reduce our military capability.

It seems I need think a lot about what I do from now on.

Well, we handled her case (I think "her" here is referencing Gorgon but I wasn't sure so left it out), then started collecting everything that could be looted, cured Avenger and company, and we proceeded outside. Because it was already evening by the time we got out, we have found a suitable quality hotel and settled there for the night.

Unfortunately, in this maze (Dungeon City), there are very few monsters that can be eaten and those that can have a taste that is quite strange.

Therefore, to get rid of their taste, I decided to host a small banquet in this hotel room. I decided to become generous for today. So I wanted to cook something delicious as an apology, I used the most delicious monster I captured from Aquarium Labyrinth as the ingredient and made dishes with the innards of [Shark Head Thunder Wyvern].

The crispy and delicious taste of these dishes came just like an excellent appetizer. While their taste were inferior to dragon meat, variation was necessary. If you eat only one type of food, sooner or later it will get boring.

A snack will be enough because this time I found it a little vain. After the banquet they stopped complaining about the previous incident.

Drinking after work makes the alcohol even more delicious.

Day 277

After I dealt with my business in Labyrinth City 【Stonehenge】, I changed the name of the dungeon from the 【Museum of Stone Sculpture】 to the 【Gallery of Funeral Statues 】. I was too lazy to change the infrastructure of the dungeon too drastically, instead I increased the overall complexity and below the 15th floor, adding new monsters including monster statues of [Black Minotaurs] and [Black Ogres]. In addition, I added a variety of traps, and strengthened the floor bosses with slightly reinforced armor or an added extra circuitry attack.

If the temples final boss was too easy to defeat, it would cause a problem for me. So instead of having just one ["Gorgon"] , there are now 3 ["Gorgon"] and the final boss is now retitled as [The Three Gorgon Sisters With Stone Shields].

The elder sister [Strong Demon Woman "Sidsenna"], the middle sister [Wandering Demon Woman "Eruaru"], the youngest [Imperious Demon Woman "Medusa"]. The three black stone statues were made of material similar to obsidian had a special charm.

Not only have the number of shields they can control increased to 18, but also the accuracy of their movements, strength and speed have all increased significantly. Besides that, I slightly reworked the boss rooms' blind spots which can now be used much more efficiently.

Thus, even after getting to them, challengers will undoubtedly be killed here. Looking forward to achieving even more, we finally hit the road.

Our goal this time is situated in the territory of the Demonic Empire, the Labyrinth City of 【Glory Rose】.

From our current position it is quite far away, but travelling on Tatsushirou now might not worth it.

So instead we set off on the Great Skeleton Centipede, which moves without stopping. Meanwhile, we can take some time to enjoy the journey going through other countries. Well, thanks to the Great Skeleton Centipede moving non-stop all day, we quickly arrived at our destination.

Day 278

Traveling on the rocky road in the Great Skeleton Centipede while moving forward at a fast speed; I coached Avenger and company while admiring the scenery.

Thanks to my clones, most of the demonic empire was already mapped out in my head so we were moving directly toward our destination.

Yet, when you change places, the mood also changes.

In addition, on the large path, we met a female beastman, traveling on a cart drawn by two large caterpillars, a male insectoid riding on a giant grasshopper, which flew past us at high speed and a group of nymphs, like Doriane-san, traveling on [demonic tree Treant].

In the kingdom, you rarely see such scenery. There the ways of transportation are radically different.

As expected of the demonic empire, in which most inhabitants are non-human monsters, you can find a quite unique things here.

Also as we drove into the Labyrinth City [Glory Rose] I started to notice that among the demonic races, plant and insectoid races are more common than beastman and Midian (Half Demons).

The Labyrinth City [Glory Rose] itself is fundamentally different from the previous labyrinth towns.

Although to map, I sent a lot of clones to different countries and made great efforts to gather information, details of this city have not yet been found.

Drooling in anticipation, I made Avengers group work up a sweat.

At the same time, due to lack of space, the training was fairly simple, but they had to cope with Kanami-chan's attacks.

Here just a Great Skeleton Centipede moving is fast enough and although we drove down the road, everything was fine, but sometimes we had to cut across the countryside and then I would give them a break. The rest of the time, the training continued which strengthened their bodies and spirit. In the past, they would have already needed a break from being out of energy, but after improving in the dungeon and through their own effort, their bodies gained enough strength to endure through this exercise. Fatigue was being accumulated all the while, but they did not give up and their training continued.

Moving like this since yesterday morning, we arrived safely at our destination in the evening.

Normally such a journey would take several weeks, but we were able to get here in an incredibly short period of time. As expected from the Great Skeleton Centipede with the ability to be able to move off-road and not need any rest.

Upon arriving the gates made from plants like a huge rose came into sight, but they were already locked. It was getting late, so the big gates had already been closed. Although the city still has a gate where people could pass through, with a cart it's not possible to enter anymore for today at least.

Because of this, we would have to wait until tomorrow.

There is nothing we could do about it, so I put the Great Skeleton Centipede in the glove box and tried to go through the gate. When questioned by the guards about where our wagon went, I showed them a prepared [storage] artifact with enough room to store Great Skeleton Centipede.

The warden of course, was surprised by this fact, but it is strange they didn't show it.

Instead, we had to pay a fairly high fee for passage and a tax on goods, but there is nothing we could do about that.

Even though it's night time, I was very surprised by the Labyrinth City Glory Rose.

Briefly described I would call Glory Rose the capital of roses.

The first thing that surprised me was located at the entrance to the city. There, a huge blue rose, larger than the average house was located in the center of the city.

Bathed in moonlight, it emitted a blue glow that flooded the entire city.

By the way, for some unknown reason, all the houses in the town were made of stone. Even though there is enough wood around the city, there is probably some reason.

Moving inwards from the gate, I examined the local architecture and noticed that the stone walls of almost every house were covered with a variety of plants, including roses of various colors.

Apart from the huge blue rose, there were also a lot of smaller roses, most of which were located along the road, but you could find them everywhere. You don't even have to look hard to find one, it was easy to find them everywhere.

Because of this vast number of roses, the night air was filled with a pleasant aroma.

To illuminate the city at night, they used a specific kind of rose, the "Pyroxene Rose" which is a special kind of plant that emits a glowing gas, an environmentally friendly light which is used for the benefit of the city.

Although they are only a little help to the blue rose which emitted a large blue glow, without them, some parts of the city would be plunged into darkness.

Due to this the roses growing in the city night are a beautiful illusory spectacle.

The Labyrinth City is incredibly unique in its kind, but the main reason for its structure is that there is a dungeon of class 【Demigod】, owned by the 【Demigod of Roses】, 【Blue Roses Zoo Park】.

The Labyrinth City gets most of their items from the dungeon, so it isn't strange that all this happened.

Chances are that the rose growing here sprouted because of the dungeon.

While enjoying the view, we arrived at the hotel.

Tomorrow we will go into the dungeon.

Day 279

The morning was refreshing.

Probably, the reason for it was the scent of roses in the air.

Well whatever it was, I ordered breakfast in the "Via Rosetta", an upscale hotel where we spent the night. For breakfast we had meals prepared with the use of roses as ingredients. There were rose petals of edible flowers called "Ebidaru" from which jam made from and was well spread on bread slices with flower drinks on the side. Everything was quite tasty and I particularly liked the flower tea which had a refreshing aroma and strong taste, a clear sign of a high quality product.

The breakfast we were able to enjoy in an elegant atmosphere.

After finishing with breakfast, it was time to get to work as we had planned to go into 【Blue Roses Zoo Park】

The entrance was located by the roots of the huge blue rose in the center of the city.

Gathered together, we went to the blue rose, we saw gazes off the side of the road.

Due to the fact that there are basically only plant and insect races, it seems we are very isolated.

Well unless they get in our way, they can simply be ignored.

As usual we just passed by. Having arrived at the roots, despite it being relatively early in the monring, there was already quite a long queue. We had spent some time waiting and when it was our time, the roots of the rose ahead of us opened the way to a spiral made from plants leading down.

【Blue Roses Zoo Park】 is classified as a type of underground dungeon.

However that doesn't mean that there are a lot of floors, there are only 2 floors here, on the second floor - the entire floor was the boss room, and the ordinary adventurer conquest of this dungeon stop just on the first floor. The dungeon's structure is weird compared to other dungeons.

However do not underestimate the first floor.

This floor is incredibly huge.

The ceiling was blue like the sky, towering at a height of more than one kilometer tall and a width greater than a few tens of kilometers. Even if I tried to jump higher, I did not see an end to the roof. In addition, there is natural vegetations which is you could find around the world thus it is fairly easy to lose your way and get stuck here forever wandering around. You cannot just relax here - in the forest, there are numerous natural traps.

Also inside the 【Blue Roses Zoo Park】, there is a fairly strong magnetic anomaly that occurs and because of it, compasses behave strangely.

If you do not prepare in advance or somehow do not have a way to survive while trying to find a way out, in that case, the death rate is close to 90%, because most beginners do not make it close to the exit.

Well, considering the map I have in my head, I do not feel threatened.

Like before, we are moving ahead with Avenger and company.

The monsters we encounter mainly belong to the insect and plant species.

Collected from a variety of roses, in the likeness of a human figure, with a rose shield for defense and attacking spikes [Rose Knight].

A carnivorous plant that ambushs its prey with an attractive scent, resembling the form and habits of wolves [Rose Wolves].

Pretending to be flowers in the meadow and biting everyone who comes near [Fake Rose Snake].

When [Fake Rose Snakes] grows to a size that it is no longer necessary to hide, [Fake Rose Python].

Flying freely through the maze with a speed exceeding the speed of sound and creating aerial bombings here and there while moving from flower to flower collecting nectar [Supersonic Bees].

Although there are many rose plant monsters there are also a lot of insects that are masquerading as a rose. Due to the small number of floors, the monsters are strong and their numbers are great so we need to move carefully.

Despite this, I sent Avenger and company ahead.

There are many monsters here with plant origin, because if you kill the insects, items associated with roses and their related items fall.

There are a lot of things I wanted to try after I collected a few more items.

For example, the larvae of the bees and their first class honey, something better simply does not exist.

Today, we did not discover the entrance to the boss floor or meet any field boss'.

Bad luck, but maybe this place is just too large. I even searched for them with my clones and I managed to found him but we couldn't do anything since we saw someone had already killed it and it still hasn't respawned.

For dinner we had the larvae. Why? Well it's because I remembered back to a time when I had just been reborn and I was attacked by swarm of bees, it makes me feel nostalgic.

For now let's talk about the future, as the guards were out for the night with the help of the [Supreme Demon Summoning] [Black Orcs], I enjoyed a leisurely bedtime.

Day 280

Today we cheerfully went ahead again.

On the way through, cutting all of the caught monsters, crossing the sea of roses, and running freely in the woods. After several hours of collecting boxes with treasures and various ingredients, we ate breakfast a little late.

Then I heard a sigh over the unnecessary hassle.

In fact, the whole 【Blue Roses Zoo Park】 had already been explored by my clones and I had a complete map of the place. Slightly crooked reception, which cannot rotate along with many floors. Because I used it here for our mutual benefit. (couldn't make sense of the last 2 sentences, someone with a better translation please fix)

Thanks to the intelligence of the clones, I was able to discover a way to conquer this place. In different corners on the floor, there were large scattered stones and there which we had to bring special flowers or items to from monsters and other different conditions. There were many jobs, but only by doing everything would the staircase appear leading to the second floor.

Those are the needed activation conditions.

I found 200 stones among the conditions needed to advance, requiring a lot of intricate items and that is very troublesome becuase for example, if the desired monster was already killed by someone, you will have to wait until it respawned.

Performing all of the required conditions is troublesome, but even more troublesome is that the implementation of these conditions is compounded by the huge size of this zone comparable to the size of the former 【Flames of Fire Dragon Mountain】 (now 【Funeral Volcano】).

As far as I know, 【Blue Roses Zoo Park】 is the most overwhelming of the dungeons in the [Demigod] class.

In this area, there are not only forests, but also small mountains, valleys and various other landscapes and depending on the location, monsters vary considerably, which greatly complicates the conquest of this space.

Before I met this type of dungeon. There simply are not enough forces to conquer. (not sure if this is right)

It is within the anticipated complexity, but at a pace we continue on schedule.

Thinking about this, the afternoon came and we cheerfully began the conquest of the dungeon again.

Today we are engaged in the daily conquest of this place, the Garden of falling roses.

【Fire Lord 18 Demon Warlords awakened】

[Title 【Fiery Sword] will be sent】

【Gladiator King 18 Demon Warlords awakened】

[Title 【Forsaken Emperor Gladiator Sword】 will be sent]

【The team of 5 colored Ogres 18 Demon Warlords awakened】

[Title 【Five Happy Demons】 will be sent]

Day 281

Since starting the conquest of 【Blue Roses Zoo Park】, I felt that the condition of my body had somehow improved.

At first I thought that it was only me, but when I asked Kanami and Avenger's company, all the members said they were also in excellent condition. If it was only one demon it could be a misunderstanding, but when all of us are affected there must be a cause.

When considering the cause, the first thing that came to mind was the sweet fragrance of the various roses that wafted in the surroundings since the beginning.

As expected, since the 【Demigod of Roses】 created this 【Age of the Gods Dungeons】, a great variety of roses grew wildly here.

Come to think of it, the different types of roses that I can see here easily surpasses 100.

There are many dungeon monsters with appearances and traits related to roses. The flowers hidden in the shade that couldn't be seen which I could perhaps spot if I bothered to look at it all in closer detail means even more varieties could be found I guess.

Possibly the number of them I recognize may even double, simply put there are a lot of roses here.

Then, along with the aroma of the different roses that are sweet and refreshing, it wouldn't be strange for some to have effects like providing a restful sleep or stamina recovery.

If the ambient smell was influencing the quality of our physical and mental conditions at this time, it would explain our current condition.

In that case however, as opposed to improving someone's conditions while they breathed the air in, it's a little strange for them to not have a poisonous aroma mixed in.

In fact I can confirm that there are several species of poisonous dungeon monsters.

It cannot be that there are only fragrances that help improve the physical condition of the challengers, it's unlikely to think the 【Demigod of Roses】 who would be in trouble if the dungeon was so easily conquered would do so.

In the first place, I do not think I would have the confidence that the dungeon could not be conquered if I was in the situation of the 【Demigod of Roses】, thus it would be appropriate to mix in aromas that hindered the condition of conquereres along with the ones that improved it.

Even in the case that there weren't originally any roses with such an aromatic effect, it's hard to think that the 【Demigod of Roses】 would be unable to create a new species.

However in reality, our bodies are in good shape and without any sign of negative effects presentsly.

Maybe we were fortunate and were only moving in the areas where fragrances of those kinds could not affect us, however the chances of that are low.

Alternatively, the aromas of the Abnormal State (Bad Status) group may be weak while being many in number.

Well, it's simple to think about for myself who has [Abnormal State Nullification] and as for Kanami-chan, [Abnormal States] are incredibly poor against her race. Since the [Hero of Sunlight] Avenger and the four people part of his [Vice-Important Figures] have various tolerances stronger than an ordinary person, the effect is thin, I suppose it is such a thing.

Since there's no time to examine it any further I'll stop thinking deeply about it now and at any rate, the comfort here isn't bad.

If there is the ability to repulse the dungeon monsters here that are stronger than those in the outside world, the scenery here is beautiful, the water that's so pure its crystal clear is delicious, you're healed by the clean air with the sweet smell of roses mixed in, the place is like a rich, natural resort.

Without being troubled by natural phenomena such as typhoons and earthquakes because it is a labyrinth, it seems like I could leisurely pass the time away here.

--It's decided.

When I conquer and obtain this place at daybreak, I've decided to build a health resort for exclusive use by the general firm (mercenary group) Parabellum.

This environment looks good for when one wants to temporarily forget the brutal everyday life.

The dropped items that can be obtained here will be very useful in various ways.

The aromatic oil, aromatic candle, rose tea, and rose jam that can be processed from the roses will certainly sell well and it seems like it'll become one of the main axes (weapons) of our business.

Not only is it stable and can be put up for sale in newly established stores in various places, if I make use of mass production through an undead factory using Black Skeletons, I can put up products of the highest quality on sale for royalty, nobles, and wealthy merchants, even achieving a brand wouldn't be a dream either.

While I was thinking about all sorts of details, incidentally, I remembered that the fruit of a rose could be used as an ingredient for liquor such as rosehip liqueur.

Although there are other necessary materials besides the fruit of a rose such as a sealed bottle, distilled liqueur, and sugar crystals, it is still a liqueur that can be brewed relatively easily.

--Liqueur made by my own hands, I want to drink it by all means.

Such thoughts sprang out.

In fact, these days, not only buying it from shops and collecting the labyrinth liqueur from labyrinths, wouldn't it be good to start producing it myself too? I started to think of such things.

There was no time because of the hectic work of my past life and the law was also an obstruction that stopped me from trying, but I somehow became able to in this world.

For the time being, though, there's the feeling that there's a prohibition against illegally brewed liqueur, isn't Princess Tomboy part of the royal family? Although I don't want to rely on them too much, I would easily get permission even if I ask the First Queen.

If there's permission, not only at our base in the Great Forest, we could produce it with dignity in the mansion at the kingdom's capital.

Fortunately, among our comrades there are several people with the knowledge and experience of brewing liqueur.

Those being the elves. Members of the clans who made the elven liqueur appeared, although I did not intend to take them in the past troubles, they mixed in with us.

Perhaps I should say the elves in question seemed to work as assistants in the process, the skill of elves that live a long time gain mastery equal to the amount of time they spent, the knowledge was also abundant.

Although a 【Job】 revision is not provided, it seems like I can still expect satisfactory results.

However, I understand that to brew a high quality liqueur, good quality materials are needed, multiple years would also be necessary, a lot of failures will be experienced repeatedly before we succeed.

Although I hesitated whether to go through the trouble because of all the time it would take, the time to make a decision seems to have come.

--Alright, let's start making it in earnest.

It was a lucky day that I was able to make up my mind, I immediately contacted Princess Tomboy through the ear cuff. When I explained the circumstances and applied for permission, it was accepted with an immediate response.

As expected of Princess Tomboy, the footwork is light.

While feeling admiration, a souvenir was asked for. It seemed like Boy Knight's birthday was nearing, so she seemed to want first class equipment from a labyrinth.

Because she was helpful, I consented and finished with out communication.

Good grief, Princess Tomboy was prudent as usual, I couldn't stop myself from smiling wryly.

At any rate, when it was decided to brew liqueur just now, one more reason to absolutely conquer this place was added.

Although it's bad for the 【Demigod of Roses】, shall I plunder it without mercy? For the sake of brewing liqueur of the highest quality.

The liqueur made by one's own hands will be delicious, setting aside the growing delusion, while thoroughly enjoying the breakfast using the drop items I obtained yesterday, let's organize all the matters which quickly increased.

First of all, it's about Gladiator King who obtained 【Gladiator Demon】.

Gladiator King, because of the strengthening and revision from the title 【Gladiator Demon】, the ability for battle greatly improves.

Especially, the rate of improvement in physical strength that's been forged through many years of training is distinctively higher than that of other people, the muscular strength that was improved from the past makes it possible to easily handle the heavy weapons he specializes at like a twig, overwhelming an enemy with attacks from a superior attack without allowing for retaliation.

In addition to this, he seems to have received the new ability 【Gladiator Demonization】

The backlash is big when used, after the effect ends it becomes impossible to move according to the time it's in use, 【Gladiator Demonization】 temporarily raises the physical ability of a human body to a state more than equal to a 【Lord】, and to Gladiator King who had 【Gladiator】 and 【Grappler】 from the beginning, it was an ability with high level 【Job】 revisions added to it.

If it's hard to understand, he acquired the ability to become a [Chaos Species 【Mix Blood 】], it can be thought of that way.

If he uses this, Gladiator King can temporarily become an existence in the same class as a 【Legendary Hero】.

However, to be honest, I did not think Gladiator King would be chosen to be part of the 【18 Demon Warlords】.

No, well, Gladiator King is a strong person among my subordinates, it's certain that he plays an active part as a teacher in combat for the children.

Because he is a believer in pure power, the loyalty to me who pinned him to the floor from the front was great, there's no worry of being betrayed--in the first place it's not possible because of my clones and 【Parasitism】--he is a capable subordinate.

Talking about his stance towards fighting, should I say he's fond of it, his body is in good agreement with his mind, the evaluation by his peers is not bad either, he's assimilated himself quite naturally.

I expect him to be a talented person who'll play an active part in the future crusade.

However, I still did not think he'd be chosen, it's my honest opinion.

But, well, it's fine. He's not a bad guy, there are no problems if he gets results. Let's just say that.

Thinking too deeply about it is useless.

Next, about 【Purgatory Sword】 which Fire Lord-kun obtained.

Fire Lord-kun, for a certain period of time, trained together with Wind Lord-san, and Illusion Lord-kun. I somewhat felt nostalgic for the time when I first left the Great Forest, let's set that aside.

It's not clear whether it was an opportunity due to my having personally guided him, or because the 【Fire Demon (Fire Lord)】 originally has a tendency for battle, since that time I found him training eagerly, achieving military results on the battlefield, and challenging labyrinth expeditions daringly and raising his level.

When going to challenge a labyrinth he often paired up with Wind Lord-san the 【Gale Demon (Gale Lord)】 and Illusion Lord-kun the 【Illusion Demon (Illusion Lord)】 with whom his relations are good, from having conquered a labyrinth at this time, the three demons simultaneously underwent 【Existence Evolution (Rank Up)】, however it seems only Heat Demon-kun obtained a title.

Although the possibility that Wind Lord-san and Illusion Lord-kun are part of the 【18 Demon Warlords】 strongly decreases, let's settle things first for the time being.

Fire Lord-kun who was a 【Fire Lord】 became a 【Blaze Lord - Subspecies】.

Wind Lord-san who was a 【Wind Lord】 became a 【Storm Lord - Subspecies】.

Illusion Lord-kun who was a 【Illusion Lord】 became a 【Vision Lord - Subspecies】.

When all three experienced 【Existence Evolution】 at this time, each respectively received a 【Demigod's Divine Protection】 and became a 【Subspecies】.

Unfortunately they did not seem to arrive at the 【Sovereign】 class, still there is no doubt they've become a powerful demon species.

The respective features of each have changed a little, what 【Divine Protection】 they get, since describing such trivial details would be troublesome, I'll omit it at this time.

As for Fire Lord-kun, just like Gladiator King, the straightforward ability for combat has improved.

Although he always forged himself through daily training, the synergy can be seen in his becoming a 【Flash Fire Demon】, which is superior in close quarters combat to a 【Scorching Demon】, being added with the reinforcement from the title, the racial limit of the 【Flash Fire Demon】 is exceeded, it seems he could reach for a stage above that of a 【Legendary Hero】.

And just like Gladiator King, he got a new ability called 【Purgatory Demon Sword】.

Heat Demon-kun's Demon Jewel (Orb) becomes a flamberge gushing flames when released, it becomes gigantic when 【Purgatory Demon Sword】 is used, and he enters a state where the flames he is clad in are strengthened.

Because he becomes just like a miniature sun in such a condition, if there is no 【Tolerance】 or 【Complete Tolerance】, it seems like it would be difficult to approach first.

Although there is the drawback of rolling up allies in it accidentally if used unskillfully, since you need only take measures beforehand, the convenience isn't so bad.

Anyway, the enhancement of the war potential to be used for the crusade is a happy thing.

Since I am happy, I'll send the other two demons items of quality as celebration. Because they often act together, the Magic Items for Intense Heat will be needed immediately.

And finally, the Five Demons Squadron that obtained 【Five Karma Demons】.

First of all, I began with being troubled about what to question these fellows on.

Why it is those five demons are treated as one, and so on. If the five demons aren't together will any limitations in ability occur, and so on? If one dies or there is even one demon missing from their number, does it become impossible to demonstrate an effect in unison, and so on.

Though I can think of various things, well, I'll set that aside.

The Five Demon Squadron also, just likes Heat Demon-kun and the others, experienced 【Existence Evolution】 upon obtaining the title.

The race the five demons became was 【Karma Demon (Karma) - Subspecies】.

To describe a 【Karma Demon】 briefly, it is not of the 【Demon Man (Lord)】 system but a higher species of the 【Big Demon (Ogre)】 system, it's such a thing.

With massive, muscular figures over 3 and a half meters, brutal features which can naturally frighten adversaries, the tough hair which grew down to the waist, and each individual possesses different living body weapons and living body protectors.

Although their forms are not compact like a Demon Man's (Lord), their physical strength seems to be considerably high in exchange.

Because the ability for magical power or intelligence improves for the two demons of the mage group, they seem to fall behind in physical ability to the other three demons but they still surpassed theaverage Demon Man.

The fighting techniques driven in to them up to now, it's certain that the ability for battle has improved greatly.

Additionally each one's body is dyed in their iconic colors of 【Red】, 【Blue】, 【Yellow】, 【Green】, and 【Grey】 making them easy to distinguish, there seems to be a slight difference in ability according to each color.

And like Gladiator King and Heat Demon-kun, the Five Demons Squadron attained a new ability.

It's called the 【Five Karma Squadron】.

When they activate it, the Five Demons Squadron have their whole bodies dyed in their symbolic colors and are equipped with a special living body protector of metallic armor added to a rubber suit.

As for the living body protector that covers the whole body without an opening, there seems to be something like a power assist system similar to the external skeleton I have, it seems to improve their physical performance even further.

Moreover their appearance, the design was somehow like the heroes that appear in a squadron.

Originally it could be said that they cared deeply for their companions, compassionate towards others, punishing evil doers, it was an appropriate ability for the Five Demons Squadron who had such characters.

It did not seem that they had a secret technique like a union attack or anything like that, I'll take the time to ask them about it at the next opportunity.

I compile the approximate information, arrange it, and switch my thoughts.

Although the Five Demons Squadron is an unusual case that hasn't happened before, since it makes little difference, I should continue.

Now then, once preparations are over, let's energetically continue our capture today.

The number of monument challenges we've cleared so far is 88. Although it's a considerably quick pace, the end is still farther yet.

To end it quickly and continue, let's begin clearing the simple tasks first.

Day 282

"Deliver 3 pieces [Aruman Roses]"

"Kill [Skunk Smelling Roses]"

"Deliver the roots [Pink Arbabesa], fiery spikes [Pink Knight], lunar drop [kertifii]"

"On the lake Anbar there was a wreck, there are growing "Anbararoshitora" and delivered it to the grave of the captain of the sunken vessel on the lake Anbar."

"In the area of the park Brustela, runs with [Red Pink Dragons], you must win."

"On the grave of my beloved, bring roses filled my senses. This is my last wish."

Setting monoliths were very different from the simple committed to nearly impossible.

Frankly, the job, like, kill some monsters or something more personal.

And although there are mixed monsters similar to floor field bosses, Avenger's team managed to cope.

But the delivery job was very problematic.

First, finding the necessary items among the foliage was very difficult.

I have [Analyze], because even as it copes without it, to quickly to conquer this place is not exactly will come out.

Secondly, to have prepare special magical items, give special creatures, train and so on.

It's certainly troublesome, but still there is nothing serious.

Much time is spent on the monoliths required to solve a particular puzzle, in such cases brute strength is no use.

Among them, those which respond to certain keywords are the simplest.

And what to do with tasks such as "On the grave of my beloved, bring roses filled my senses. This is my last wish" it was not clear.

In order to solve these puzzles, you need to look for clues in the stone tiles dropped from monsters in certain areas.

That in itself is time consuming.

The one who created this place the 【Demigod of Roses】, their head bolts is clearly lacking.

While it is true, this place is hard to conquer. Among the powerful head he thinks not all. Even saying, it is quite the right idea, in order to prevent the conquest of the dungeon.

But judging by the conquerors, the conversation will be different.

How to get to the dungeon? I will personally give him straightened. Of course, again, only the ruins remain, but this has nothing to do about it.

I so hate this dungeon, I was ready to give up as yet unknown taste to me .

That's just such a pace, we are behind schedule. We ought to speed up.

Day 283

Currently, spending a few days to conquer the number of monoliths passed 168 pieces. By creating a set of clones, using strong ability, I calculated that a total of 200 pieces.

That is, there are only 32 more pieces left.

Also among them are located quite far from the exit, monoliths with tasks like "Deliver 3 pieces [Sapphire Roses Fiery Star]," "In the area Armadroz bring an offering to the altar," and the like, a relatively simple tasks - 15.

"The parks Alice kill [the commander of the Knights of the Queen's roses]" or "Catch without killing mimic [Pink Rabbit Fugitive]". Tasks like this are little troublesome job that requires high level of combat power - 12 pieces

"Flaming rose wearing a kingfisher, a blue, should not bring the golden pot" (* Yes, yes it is direct and it is written ... *) "Mother of life, embracing the blue seeds, flowering before the ominous, does not disintegrate" (* see there also Hemp grows *) just such tasks to perform that, we must also understand what they are - 5 pieces.

Perhaps, in such circumstances, may best be acting on the basis of information received my clones.

Targets for the delivery performed using the most optimal routes. Before training for Avenger, I particularly did not interfere, but he had enough training, because their need to finish quickly .

Anyway, the time it took quite a few, and in the evening we completed the last task monolith.

After that, we heard the music as if to bless us. Echoes of it has been heard, it may be more likely to hear only those who carry out the task of monoliths. The music was just in my head.

Again thinking of useless things, together with the implementation of the last job the earth trembled and there was a sound "Gogogogogo..." Instead of standing up for us monolith appeared staircase leading to the boss room.

I admit, very theatrical. Going down the stairs bluish, made of silver metal, illuminated by glowing roses that were growing on the walls.

The staircase was much shorter than I expected. We went down a minute.

Along the way, we found the last place to rest and test equipment, just a few tens of meters in diameter, was then only a room where we waited dungeon.

Normally, we would have to rest, but we just ran past, throwing opens the gates, and went inside.

From the entrance straight ahead stretches stone paving of the road width of 4 meters.

Above it is located a few arches of roses, all the rest of the space is filled with red, white, yellow and purple roses separated by color.

Like a sea of roses. So it seems that just went down to the stone road, you can drown in this sea.

On the ceiling, the color of the night sky, like a star in the center, has a huge blue rose (probably the same type as in the city center), which emits blue light, than like the moon.

Illusion show.

Room boss width of approximately 300 meters and a height of about 100 meters. Not to say that it is very broad. Compared to the first floor here it seems to be very modest.

But apparently, to such an extent there was some reason. And the color of roses, like a fold in the picture, that interested me. Surely in this there is no any sense.

As I thought about it, we have raised the throne, made of huge blue rose, which sat dungeon.

Dungeon boss [Dark Blue Roses] [Empress Colors Blue Roses], incredibly beautiful, like Doriane-san, the Dryad.

Silver blue hair woven into braids, elegant tiara adorned with roses.

Her deep blue eyes and slightly sad a great person with a devilish [charm] on so strong that one look was enough in order to pull out of the human soul.

White soft skin on many tender that seems ready to melt under the touch, and dressed her gorgeous blue dress, decorated with ornaments, only emphasizes her charm.

The skirt, like an inverted blue rose, looked very cute, but at the same time gave the impression that underneath lies something quite unprecedented.

Frankly, she looks more like a flower princess than the Empress.

But being a dungeon boss, her skills are real.

Within a few seconds after we entered the room, she slowly and elegantly rose from her throne, in her hands, nowhere appeared the staff of blue roses, and in the room rang her beautiful voice.

The voice echoed throughout the room, along with the surrounding Rose began to move.

Gathering together, they began to forms a humanoid figure. [Pink Knights], we have them on the first floor already had seen enough.

Individual abilities are not so high, but there are already around 1,000.

Do not allow approaching the [Empress Colors Blue Roses], their lady, they are obliged to protect. Before we lined up the ranks of the Knights, hiding from view the [Empress Colors Blue Roses].

In addition, apparently depending on the color of pink knights appointment varies. Ahead of yellow lined rows of knights, carrying a huge shield which is bigger than their own size; then knights in red, armed with enormous spears, long under 5 meters, which they put forward through the gaps in the wall panels; purple knights, armed with bows and arrows in the back of the white knights with staffs and wands.

At the same time they are very coordinated, moving like a single organism.

Normally, to fight them is like trying to fight with an army.

But I do not care.

I would just like to quickly deal with all of this, because Kanami-chan and company stepped back, and I alone came forward.

Ignoring the lance aimed at me , I took the scarlet spear and put it in 10 times more mana in than is necessary to activate the [Army Bloody Scarlet Copies].

After that, the shape of the Crimson spears strangely beginning to change, while violent radiating glow.

Feeling the expected response, I began to pour more mana into it while I still adding to the accumulated part of [Divine Power].

Before that, following the same infusion mana [Calling Lightning Shark Rope] became [Demonic Shark Rope Thunder Dragon].

This time, I decided to do the same thing, but added another [Divine Power].

In the context of almost no difference, because the chance of success is quite high. Here, just at the moment when I added a [Divine Power], something unusual happened. In the center of the Crimson Spears sank like space.

Feeling high risk, Kanami-chan and company quickly retreated to the walls.

Space began to roll into the funnel, the dungeon itself began to crack at the seams.

Even if I just carried the spear in hand, doing nothing, all who just approached me, addictive.

Before such a distortion, as expected, pink knights apparently could not move.

It may sound strange if I say it myself, the mana is nothing, but to pour [Divine Power], I think I went too far...

It is interesting that all will be okay? Even I'm excited, looking at how a spear likes devouring the space.

Fortunately, a few tens of seconds, the phenomenon successfully completed.

At that moment in my head sounded an alert:

[Magical object of the 【Legendary】 Class of conditions [Arms of The Living God]]

[Magical items 【Legendary】 Class 【Starving Impaler of A Thousand Thorn (Kazıklı Bey)】 conditions of release the 【Use of a Living God】, 【Demonic Hammer of Living God】 【Transcendental Shipping] made】

[【Starving Impaler of A Thousand Thorn (Kazıklı Bey)】 becomes a magical object 【Phantasmal】 Class 【Device Istesannogo Fierce God, Thirsty Scarlet Spear Pole】]

Without thinking I took the highest grade subjects, in order to verify its capabilities.

Title: 【Device Istesannogo Fierce God, Thirsty Scarlet Spear Pole】

Classification: living god device / missile weapon

Grade: 【Phantasmal】 class

Ability: 【Bloody Feast thousands of Copies Fierce God (tsenpesshu.varudora)】 【Temple Thirst for Fresh Blood】 【Bearing ScarleDesperate Proclamation of The Kingdom (w? ruzepia.goshute)】 【The Two-Headed Dragon Source End Fierce God (tsuvarubu.geshupen)】 【Heretical Retribution】 【Transformation of Divine Power】 【Pierce the Wicked】 【Equipment of the Living God】 【"" ""】 【"" ""】 【"" ""】 【"" ""】

Note: 【Yatendouji】 as a subspecies 【Living God】 investing 【Divine Power】 in 【Starving Impaler of A Thousand Thorn (Kazıklı Bey)】 converts it into a magical object 【Phantasmal】 class 【Device Living God】.

This spear painted in a sinister scarlet piercing everything has many terrible abilities.

Only 【Yatendouji】 can touch it, or the one to whom he will allow.

Touching it without waiting for permission leed to unimaginable disaster.

As the 【Device Living God】, to destroy it for a special exception, is not possible.

Do you need more information?

[≪YES≫ ≪NO≫]

Everything seems clear, except for the [Device Living God], because I decided to click "Yes"

term: 【Device Living God】

Meaning: something that has created by a subspecies [Living God] extremely close to the [Divinity], investing his own [Divine Power] in a magical thing [Legendary] and higher class.

His abilities are on par with [Sacred Treasure], it contains a special ability and when certain conditions are clear capable of further improvement.

[Furious god] will be [Device Living God] and [Dragon God] will be [The Sacred Treasure of The Dragon God Dragolorda], depending on the race, the name will be different, but they are classified the same way.

All clear.

It is clear why the Scarlet Spear, becoming [Device Living God] now has became a sinister color of blood, the tip was now thicker and longer.

And at the base of decoration appeared in the form of an infinite dragon devouring its own tail.

Also, if you look good, his eyes move, and if you bring your finger, he might even try to bite. I do not live there, he.

In addition, there is a strange difference in the details, but let's leave that for now.

Once again taking shape, emitting an overwhelming presence of the Red Spear, I stuck it into the ground, putting enough manna, and activate abilities

[Activated hereditary unique ability to 【Thirsty Scarlet Spear Pole】 【Bloody Feast thousands of Copies Fierce God (tsenpesshu.varudora)】]

At the time of activation, it was all over.

Everything in sight filled forest of Red copies. First, at the time of activation [Army Bloody Scarlet Copies], there is a lot of red spears, but this time a little differently.

[Bloody Feast thousands of Copies Fierce God (tsenpesshu.varudora)] is able to even change the size of the copies themselves. Length changes 5 times, and the thickness is 20 times as much.

Increased to the limit, it becomes the size of a tree.

Body caught in the forest Pink Scarlet Knights copies have been transfixed by the feet to the top, or torn to shreds. In the middle of the chest, protected by them the [Empress Colors Blue Roses], exactly where its core was sticking a spear.

And not a minute had passed since the battle ended before it really started. I was letting off some steam, because, I think, so come down.

Taking real body Scarlet Spear of land, forest of copies are gone, collected the body of the [Empress Colors Blue Roses] got me in a very good mood, as long as it has not yet disappeared.

[Dungeon boss [Empress Colors Blue Roses] successfully eliminated]

[History of God [Blue Rose Garden] conditions of passage [The Murder First Strike] [Destruction of The Army] [Capture of Empress] have been met]

[Performer granted a special ability [Skies Blue Roses]]

[Performer, as a bonus for the first elimination of the boss, will be sent the treasure chest 【Princess Blue Rose】]

[As a privilege for conquering, the ban on the use of the Warp Gate is lifted]

[Please note that only those who conquered the dungeon can use the Warp Gate]

[For those who have Awakened the Psalms／The key figures of God's Lost Psalms, a part of the 【Demigod of Roses】's divine power will be granted]

[As the collector is an important figure of a Greater God, the quality of the Divine Power collected will be inferior]

[Portions of the Divine Power rejected by this rule will be turned into an object]

[【Yatendouji】 has obtained the 【Demigod Rose Pruners】 !!!]

[Conforming to the conditions, it is possible to seize the 【Blue Roses Zoo Park】]

[Will you do so?]

[≪YES≫ ≪NO≫]

This time I received [Sacred Treasure] 【Demigod Rose Pruners】 vygldeli as small blades that can easily fit in the palm, describe the arc, falling into my hand.

After putting the [Sacred Treasure] and Treasure chest into my item box, I chose <<Yes>>.

[Special Ability 【Dungeon Plunder】 has been invoked.]

At this moment, control of the 【Blue Roses Zoo Park】 will shift from the 【Demigod of Roses】 to Yatendouji]

[From now on, please manage the Dungeon at your own discretion]

With that, our goal has been achieved here.

Gripped by a sense of things, to his own surprise, I felt I did not want to engage in conquest dungeons of this type in the near future.

Having dealt with the cases using the Warp Gate, we moved to the street of the city, in order to have a rest in the hotel.

Day 284

The dark sky with shining stars was barely giving way to the sunrise when I noticed a suspicous presence near our hotel.

Still half asleep, I looked out the window in order to assess the situation. I found men hiding in the shadow of nearby buildings.

Three of them were visible from the window.

But it was not only them, the [Sense Enemy Detection Zone] and [Sense of Space] found a total of 12 beings, and almost all of them belonged to the [Demon Race - Midian].

They acted in groups of four. Their equipment consisted of black cloaks heavily enchanted to concealed their presence, under which were military-grade body armor, gauntlets and greaves made from magic metal. Magic accessories such as rings and earrings were also used to increase their stealth.

They wore matching unfiroms, although their weapons were all different - various swords and spears that were of [Unique] or [Ancient] class.

The way they hid themselves that seemed like they were dissolving into the envirnoment as well as their silent movement clearly displayed their skills. Rather than adventurers or bandits, they were more like an elite squad.

Still half-asleep, I recalled one report in particular.

Looks like this group belongs to Atarakua Demon Empire and reports directly to, one of [6 Great Generals] "Great Ai sumus Herbie Indigo" - [Indigo Secret Squad]. Without a doubt, these elites engage in covert assignments like assassinating the Demon Empire's enemies and gathering intelligence. They are rarely seen in public so the information about them is very scarce.

The question of why they are here was obviously because of us. Whether they were following Tatsushirou's trail or simply keeping an eye on us, we still needed to be wary of them.

Although information gathered from my clones was limited, I was confident in my assumption. It was possible the owner of the inn was part of an anti-government movement, but the chance of that were slim.

They were faster than I expected. It was immediately evident they were professionals. After confirming their skills, I ordered a morning coffee.

Since they are keeping their distance, it is possible they may simply leave. If they do approach us, I will respond according to the circumstances.

With this in mind, I anticipated my ordered coffee.

After some time looking at the sunrise through the window, the form of a great black rose became illuminated in the distance.

The huge blue rose at the entrance to the former【Blue Roses Zoo Park】, now called 【Funeral Black Rose Garden】, was now black, although its function was the same. Since the change happened during the night it was not immediately noticable, but with the rising sun it became obvious and was causing a huge commotion that could be heard all the way here.

It was understandable since the rose that had been blue for a long time suddenly became like this.

While I was drinking coffee with Kanami, the rest had already woken up and we went down to breakfast together.

As expected from an upscale hotel, the food is excellent.

The food here was not only delicious, but also beautiful. Each dish was decorated with roses from the dungeon, like a work of art.

Having dealt with our preparations, we left the hotel and, without stopping by the shops in the maze-like city, immediately headed out of town in the [Skeleton Centipede].

There is not much point in hanging around this place right now.

Although I was expecting the [Indigo Secret Squad] to follow us, that did not happen. They were still tailing us within the city, but did not take a single step outside the city. Perhaps due to the fact that following the [Skeleton Centipede] at its current speed while remaining undected was not possible even for them.

Well, it makes no difference.

For now, we headed towards our next destination, located in the Atarakua Demon Empire, close to the border of the Beast Kingdom, the Labyrinth City 【Deegambling】.

Day 285

There is a considerable distance between the Labyrinth City 【Glory Rose】and the Labyrinth City 【Deegambling】.

Also, there are lots of places impassable for ordinary wagons because finding detours may take weeks.

Since our [Skeleton Centipede] was not hindered by terrain, we could move at incredible speed even without following the existing roads,

Therefore, even if we were being chased, I am confident we could easily outrun them.

It's just that, even though I had the feeling we were being watched from the moment we left 【Glory Rose】, I could not detect anyone despite my best efforts.

It was probably the work of someone who, like Kugime-chan, possessed a race or high-level abilites that specialized in surveillance.

Even though I had a huge radius of detection, I would without a doubt lose out to experts like that. As such, I could not find who was watching us.

I could, of course, send out my clones in an attempt to find the culprit, but if I made a mistake I couldn't pretend to be ignorant and would also reveal one of my abilities.

After all the clones are only effective because nobody knows about them. If they were exposed, it would become much more difficult for me to collect information in the future.

Since there's no way for me to detect our pursuers I decided to stop thinking too hard about it and focus on increasing our speed. If we were being watched, we just needed to move at a speed at which they could not keep up. It was a simple conclusion.

The [Skeleton Centipede] can cross roads and fallen trees without problems. It will keep moving along the shortest path with its top speed.

Leisurely driving through a sprawling forest, flying over a vast steppe, climbing rocky mountains, literally jumping from a steep cliff, we raced like the wind along a road only we could follow.

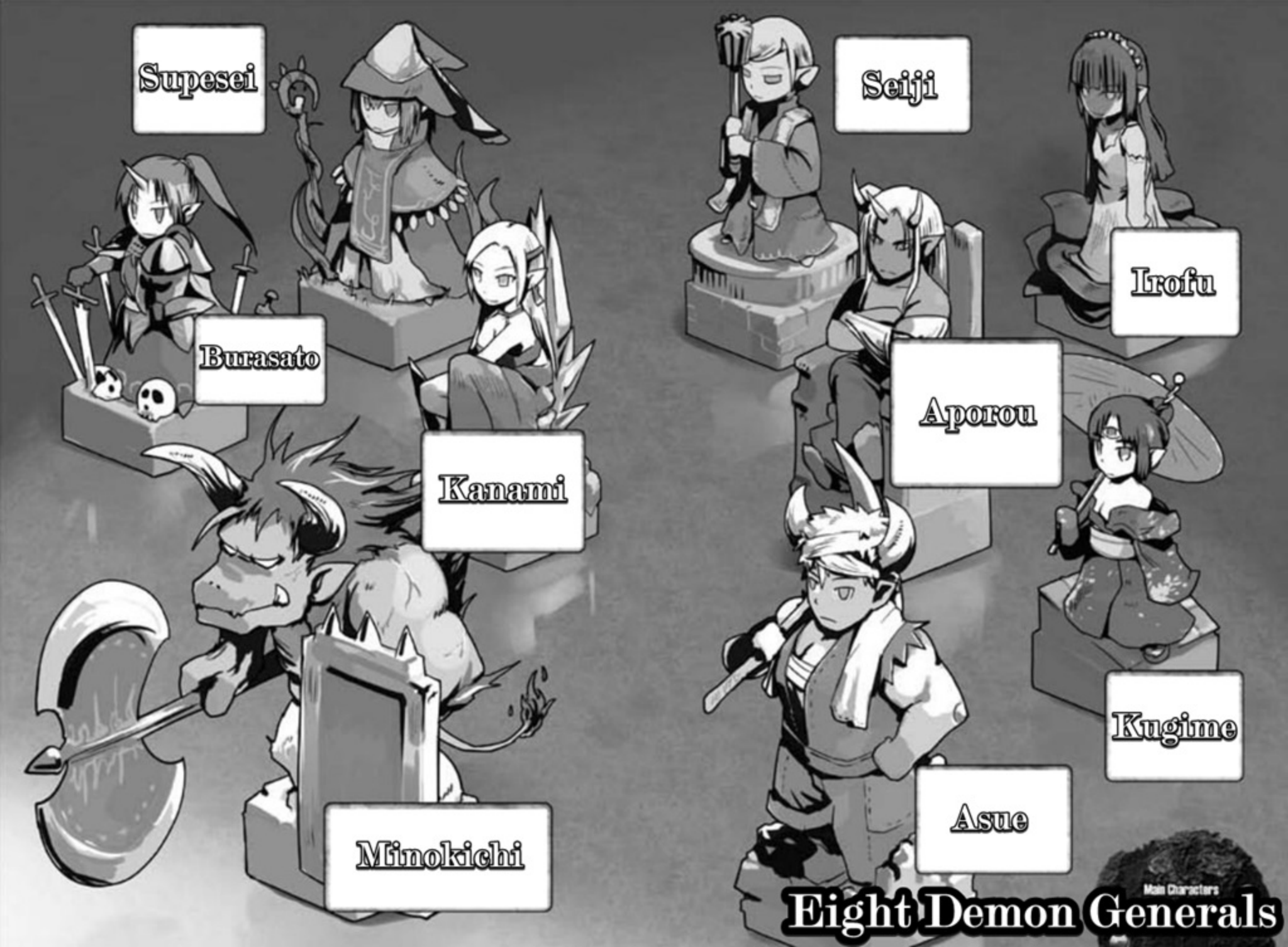
On the way, we saw bandits attacking a wagon. Using ranged attacks, we gave them some support by burying the villains into the dust.

Having met some previously unseen monsters on the road, I quickly hunted them. There were a few small events.

By the time stars appeared in the sky, we had traveled a good distance and [Skeleton Centipede] still continued to run forward.

We lost our observers by evening, but they were certainly still in pursuit so we continued to move forward.

Tomorrow we can travel without fear. With this thought, I fell asleep in the [Skeleton Centipede], which does not need a break.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